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5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #208, dated June 26, 1942.

6. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding Officer, 1st Motion Picture Unit
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
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Chief of Ordnance
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Att: Manning Table

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Photography, January 18, 1943 and the plan to attach a Combat Camera Unit with each Air Force (verbal directive from General Arnold). Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Combat Camera Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted and activated at Culver City, California by the Commanding Officer, 1st Motion Picture Unit at the earliest practicable date:

Unit	Attached to	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
1st AAF Combat Camera Unit	First Air Force	C-1-1381
2nd AAF Combat Camera Unit	Second Air Force	C-1-1382
3rd AAF Combat Camera Unit	Third Air Force	C-1-1383
4th AAF Combat Camera Unit	Fourth Air Force	C-1-1384
6th AAF Combat Camera Unit	Sixth Air Force	C-1-1385
13th AAF Combat Camera Unit	Thirteenth Air Force	C-1-1386

1. These units will be organized initially in accordance with the attached manning table. Authorized enlisted strength and grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The 1st Motion Picture Unit will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127, December 12, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

3. Equipment for these units will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942, and special lists to be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography).

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MANNING TABLE
for
Army Air Forces Combat Camera Unit

	Headquarters	Detachment: Flight	Detachment: Sound Recording	Detachment: Total Detachment	Total Headquarters and 2 Detachments
Major	a1				1
Captain	c	b1		1	2
First Lieutenant	e1	d1		1	3
Second Lieutenant	a1		f1	1	3
TOTAL COMMISSIONED	3	2	1	3	9
Technical Sergeant		1		1	2
Cameraman, Motion Picture (043)		(1)		(1)	(2)
Staff Sergeant	1	1	1	2	5
Adm NCO (802)	(1)				(1)
Sound Film Recorder, Motion Pictures (208)			(1)	(1)	(2)
Cameraman, Motion Picture (043)		(1)		(1)	(2)
Sergeant		3		3	6
Photographer, aerial (940)		(1)		(1)	(2)
Electrician, Motion Picture		(1)		(1)	(2)
Supply, NCO (836)		(1)		(1)	(2)
Corporal			2	2	4
Automotive Equipment Operator (345)			(2)	(2)	(4)
Private, First Class)		3		3	(3
Private					(3
Photographer, aerial (940)		(3)		(3)	(6)
TOTAL ENLISTED	1	8	3	11	23
AGGREGATE	4	10	4	14	32

a. Commanding Officer
b. Director, Contact man
c. Adjutant
d. Cameraman Motion Picture
e. Sound Film Editor Motion Picture
f. Sound Film Recorder Motion Picture

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Paragraph 1 of letter AG 320.2 (2-3-43) OB-I-AF-M, subject as above, dated February 4, 1943 be amended to show the stations of the 405th and 406th Bombardment Groups (D) as "Drew Field, Tampa, Florida" and "Key Field, Meridian, Mississippi", respectively, instead of "Hunter Field, Georgia".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Dispatched
FEB 13 1943
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AG 320.2 (2-3-43) OB-I-AF-M

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a telephone request from the Third Air Force (Major Butziger), February 7, 1943 and a request from War Organization and Movement, February 8, 1943.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Third Air Force as indicated:

Unit	Station	T/O	Effective Date of Activation
Hq. 406th Bombardment Gp (D)	Hunter Field, Georgia	1-112, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
624th Bombardment Sq (D)		1-147, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
625th Bombardment Sq (D)		1-147, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
626th Bombardment Sq (D)		1-147, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
627th Bombardment Sq (D)		1-147, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
Hq. 406th Bombardment Gp (D)	Hunter Field, Georgia	1-112, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
628th Bombardment Sq (D)		1-147, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
629th Bombardment Sq (D)		1-147, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
630th Bombardment Sq (D)		1-147, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
631st Bombardment Sq (D)		1-147, July 1, 1942	Mar. 1, 1943
14th Air Support Communications Squadron	Army Air Base, Morris Field, Charlotte, N.C.	1-547, Feb. 18, 1942	Feb. 15, 1943
15th Air Support Communications Squadron	Army Air Base, Birmingham, Alabama	1-547, Feb. 18, 1942	Feb. 15, 1943

2. The tables of organization listed above will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Third Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127, December 12, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

3. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942.

4. The station commander charged with the activation of units

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under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

5. These units should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

	Date to Reach 20% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
405th Bombardment Sq (D)	Apr. 1, 1943	May 1, 1943	May 22, 1943
406th Bombardment Sq (D)	Apr. 1, 1943	May 1, 1943	May 22, 1943
144th Air Support Communication Squadron	Mar. 15, 1943	Apr. 15, 1943	May 8, 1943
154th Air Support Communication Squadron	Mar. 15, 1943	Apr. 15 ,1943	May 8, 1943

6. Priority ratings for controlled items of equipment will be as follows:

405th Bombardment Sq (D)	C-1-1377
406th Bombardment Sq (D)	C-1-1378
144th Air Support Communication Squadron	C-1-1379
154th Air Support Communication Squadron	C-1-1380

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFHAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-5A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #205, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and requests from the Director of Air Support, January 25 and January 26, 1943. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation
7th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	7th Photographic Sq (L)
10th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	10th Photographic Sq (L)
11th Photographic Mapping Sq	11th Photographic Sq (Hv)
14th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	14th Photographic Sq (L)
15th Photographic Mapping Sq	15th Photographic Sq (Hv)
19th Photographic Mapping Sq	19th Photographic Sq (Hv)
20th Photographic Mapping Sq	20th Photographic Sq (Hv)
21st Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	21st Photographic Sq (L)
22nd Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	22nd Photographic Sq (L)
23rd Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	23rd Photographic Sq (L)
24th Photographic Mapping Sq	24th Photographic Sq (Hv)
25th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	25th Photographic Sq (L)
26th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	26th Photographic Sq (L)
27th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	27th Photographic Sq (L)
28th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	28th Photographic Sq (L)
29th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	29th Photographic Sq (L)
30th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	30th Photographic Sq (L)

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1. This action does not authorize any change of station, strength or assignment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography)
Commanding Officer, Army Air Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Photography, dated January 11, 1943. All Photographic Squadrons are similarly equipped with cameras within installation limitations and are capable of securing and producing all classes of photographic information within the operational range of the airplane, navigational range of the pilot or performance and tactical employment possibilities of the airplane. The designation as Photographic Squadrons (L) and Photographic Squadrons (Hv) is in conformance with the type of aircraft which they are equipped.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Paragraph 1 of letter AG 320.2 (1-19-43) OB-I-AF-M, subject as above, dated January 21, 1943 be amended by deleting the "20th Fighter Control Squadron".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is necessary to correct an error in letter and was requested by Directors of Air Defense and War Organization and Movement, January 28, 1943. This Squadron is assigned to First Air Force (Norfolk Air Defense Wing).

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JAN 30 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Reorganization and Disbandment of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Units

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion Separate be redesignated as the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

2. The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area will reorganize the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion under Table of Organization 11-400, dated July 1, 1942, at the earliest practicable date with teams and strengths as shown in Inclosure #1. Enlisted grades will be published separately by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Personnel).

3. Concurrently with the above action, the 694th and 699th Signal Aircraft Warning Companies will be disbanded and personnel and equipment thereof transferred to the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion without loss of grade to any individual concerned.

4. The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area will supply fillers. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of A.A.F. Form #128, dated May 8, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

5. Paragraph 2 of A.A.F. Memorandum No. 35-1, dated June 13, 1942, subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates" applies.

6. a. This unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, dated September 15, 1942 with modifications, if any, as specified by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Air Defense).

b. A special list of equipment will be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Air Defense) and submitted to the Director of Base Services.

c. Equipment in the special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner and shipped to the unit at station of reorganization.

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6. Reporting platoons will be of the fixed type. See note "p" T/O 11-400, or footnote on T/BA 11-3, page 12, dated September 15, 1942.

7. The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area will report without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Commanding General, Services of Supply, and The Adjutant General by the most expeditious means available giving the following information:

a. Confirmation of redesignation of the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.
b. Date of disbandment of units to be disbanded.
c. Station of reorganization of the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942 and #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area (Air Mail) (4 copies)
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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R. C. LEWIS
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Acting Ass't Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action requested by Air Defense in AAR to Program Planning, dated 1-16-43, subject: "Reorganization and Redesignation of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions, Southwest Pacific". This action has the informal concurrence of OPD, WDGS (Lt. Col. Remaley). Reference is also made to radio C-102, 1-12-43. This action is necessary to provide proper Aircraft Warning Service for this area and is in accordance with approved Army Air Forces Expansion Program. Personnel involved will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. The Commander-in-Chief, SWPA is being notified this date by radio of authority to reorganize.

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569th SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION

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TBAE ORGANIZATION T/O 11-400, July 1, 1942	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH T/O 11-400			ATTACHED MEDICAL (included in Col. 4)		REMARKS
	OFF	WO	EM	OFF	EM	
Bn. Hq & Hq Co A 0 2 1 1 2 0 1 1 2 T 1 1 2 3 1 1 3 0 3 1 1 2*	11	3	187	2	8	*2 chaplains and 2 EM assistants.
Com. A., B, C, D, E (each, as follows)(**)(***) A 0 2 1 0 0 1 1 1 2 0 1 T 1 3 2 1 2 4 1 1 1 1 3	16	4	272	2	17	** Total strength of Companies A, B, C, D, and E, 80 officers, 20 warrant officers, and 1360 enlisted men.
Company F A 0 2 1 0 0 1 1 1 2 0 1 T 1 4 1 2 1 2 4 1 1 1 1 4	18	5	320	2	19	*** Total strength of attached medical, companies A, B, C, D, and E, 10 Officers and 85 enlisted men.
Aggregate, 569th Signal AW Battalion	109	28	1867	14	112	

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the 82nd Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 82nd Fighter Control Squadron be re-organized immediately by the Commandant, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics in accordance with Table of Organization 1-67, dated December 11, 1942 as follows:

	OFF	E.M.
1 Radio — Columns 7 thru 15 (inclusive)	34	222
3 Mess Teams — Column 17	0	6
2 DF Teams — Column 20	0	20
6 Radio Link Teams — Column 21	0	18
1 Radio Relay Team — Column 22	0	10
Total	34	276

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127, December 12, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commandant, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance

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All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

R. C. LEWIS
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Acting Ass't Air Adjutant General.

Dispatched
JAN 29 1943
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, January 14, 1943 and is necessary since this unit is scheduled for shipment to the Eighth Air Force during April, 1943. At present this Squadron has only one officer and 54 enlisted men. Trained personnel is available at the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of the 16th Photographic Squadron (Special Purpose).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 16th Photographic Squadron (Special Purpose) be redesignated as the 16th Photographic Unit (Special Purpose) immediately.

1. The attached Personnel Allotment Table will be used as a guide in the re-organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The station commander charged with the redesignation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of redesignation.

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of redesignation.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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Commanding Officer, Bolling Field.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Redesignation of the 16th Photographic Squadron (Special Purpose).

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

R. C. LEWIS
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Acting Ass't Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Photography, January 8, 1943, and is necessary for the efficient operation of this unit.

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PERSONNEL ALLOTMENT TABLE
for

Photographic Squadron, Special Purpose
(Bolling Field)

Colonel		1
Lieutenant Colonel		2
Major		15
Captain		21
First Lieutenant		31
Second Lieutenant		20
TOTAL COMMISSIONED		90
Warrant Officer		2
Grade	I	14
	II	22
	III	50
	IV	70
	V	74
	VI	115
	VII	115
TOTAL ENLISTED		460
AGGREGATE		552

Coordinated: AFTSP - Captain Bishop
AFPMP - Major Buenzli
AFDPU - Lt. Col. Nocsto

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Paragraph 1 of letter AG 320.2 (1-28-43) OB-I-AF-M, subject as above, February 1, 1943 be amended to show the new designation of the 14th and 20th Bombardment Wings, Hq & Hq Sqs, as "(Hy)" instead of "(M)".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Baltimore Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Bombardment (Colonel Kelly and Capt. Ryan), Feb. 19, 1943 and is necessary since these units will be used with heavy bombardment groups on arrival overseas instead of medium. This action does not involve any change in authorized strength since both heavy and medium bombardment wings are organized under the same table of organization.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation
13th Bombardment Wing, Hq & Hq Sq	13th Bombardment Wing (M), Hq & Hq Sq
14th Bombardment Wing, Hq & Hq Sq	14th Bombardment Wing (M), Hq & Hq Sq
20th Bombardment Wing, Hq & Hq Sq	20th Bombardment Wing (M), Hq & Hq Sq

1. Table of Organization 1-110-1, November 21, 1942 will be used as a guide in the re-organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The station commander charged with the redesignation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of redesignation of such units.

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of redesignation.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

R. C. LEWIS
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Acting Ass't Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Third Air Force, as indicated in tele-type WAF J13130, dated January 16, 1943.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command immediately at Eglin Field, Florida:

Unit	Table of Organization	Priority Ratings for Controlled Items of Equipment
1st Minimum Altitude Bomber - Torpedo Unit (Medium)	1-127, July 1, 1942 (Less Flights B, C and D)	A-7(c)-16
2nd Minimum Altitude Bomber - Fighter Unit (Twin Engine)	1-57, July 1, 1942 (Less Flights B and C)	A-7(c)-17

2. The tables of organization listed above will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127, December 12, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

4. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942, plus certain additional items of equipment to be specified by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFPAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

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5. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation of such units.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #208, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a directive from the Deputy Chief of Air Staff as indicated in R & R #1, subject "Detachment for Eglin Field", January 25, 1943. This Detachment will be for the purpose of operating and maintaining a test detachment of three B-26's and three P-38's. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the I Troop Carrier Command:

Unit	Station	Effective Date of Activation	Priority Ratings for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq. 434th Troop Carrier Gp	Army Air Base,	Immediately	B-1-256
91st Troop Carrier Sq	Alliance,		
92nd Troop Carrier Sq	Nebraska		
93rd Troop Carrier Sq			
94th Troop Carrier Sq			
Hq. 435th Troop Carrier Gp	Bowman Field,	February 25, 1943	B-1-259
95th Troop Carrier Sq			
96th Troop Carrier Sq			
97th Troop Carrier Sq			
98th Troop Carrier Sq			

1. Table of Organization #1-312, July 1, 1942 for the Hq, Troop Carrier Groups and Table of Organization #1-317, July 1, 1942 for the Troop Carrier Squadrons will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The I Troop Carrier Command will furnish cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127, December 12, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

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4. These units should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

	Date to Reach 20% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
434th Troop Carrier Group	Feb. 28, 1943	March 28, 1943	Apr. 28, 1943
438th Troop Carrier Group	March 28, 1943	April 28, 1943	May 28, 1943

5. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 18, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-5A will be complied with immediately.

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #208, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (8 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Support, January 18, 1943. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Distribution of SC-21 - Daily Activation and Movement Report.

TO: Chief of the Air Staff

FROM: Air Adjutant General

Date: 1-30-43
Comment No. 4
JMC:JB 5789

Inviting attention to comments 1 and 3 above.

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.
Asst. Air A.G.

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TO: Director of Statistical Control

FROM: Secretary of the Air Staff.

DATE 1/30/43

COMMENT NO. 5
MAL/mdg/5265

1. Disapproved unless the Machine Records Unit can justify to the further satisfaction of Asst. Chief of Air Staff, A-2 and the Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, that their need for such information warrants supply of same.

2. For compliance in the future with procedure outlined in Par. 1, Item 3 above.

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TO: Assistant Chief of Air Staff, A-2

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Date: 1-27-43

FROM: Air Adjutant General

Comment No. 2
WDGAJB 5791

For remark and recommendation.

JOHN B. COOLEY
Colonel, A.G.D.
Asst. Air Adj. Gen.

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Distribution of SC-21 -Daily Activation and Movement Report

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Chief of the Air Staff

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1. Attached is request from AGO, Machine Records Branch, Coding Authority, for daily distribution of the subject report.

2. The report requested has been revised recently to include the activation of all AAF units, their movement within this country, any change in their jurisdiction, movement of units to Ports of Embarkation and departure of units from Ports of Embarkation.

3. The information is needed by the office requesting it because that office originates all codes for AAF units for Machine Record Units purposes. The information is not available from other sources sufficiently promptly.

4. The request is forwarded for decision with the recommendation that it be approved.

5. Direction is desired as to the clearance of possible other requests for this report in view of the strategic nature of the information which it now contains.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 12th Army Air Forces Photo Intelligence Detachment.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 12th Army Air Forces Photo Intelligence Detachment be constituted and activated immediately at Bolling Field, D.C. by the Commanding Officer thereof from personnel now stationed there for this purpose, and prepared for prompt movement overseas.

1. This unit will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-7478, dated September 15, 1942 (Columns 12 thru 17) with an authorized strength of eleven officers and eighteen enlisted men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. This unit will be assigned to the Thirteenth Air Force and will have an A-2 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Source of personnel.
c. Date of activation.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding Officer, Bolling Field, D.C.
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. GOOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a directive from Operations Division as indicated in letter OPD 320.2 PTO (1-9-43), subject "Additional Intelligence Personnel for SOPAC". Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the First Air Force, effective February 10, 1943:

Unit	Station	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq. 361st Fighter Gp 374th Fighter Sq 375th Fighter Sq 376th Fighter Sq	Richmond, Virginia	C-1-1348

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1. Table of Organization 1-12, July 1, 1942 for the Hq. Fighter Group and Table of Organization 1-57, July 1, 1942 for the Fighter Squadron will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The First Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127, December 12, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

3. These units should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
March 10, 1943 (See Incl.)	April 10, 1943 (See Incl.)	May 8, 1943

4. Equipment for these units will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942.

5. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-5A will be complied with immediately.

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6. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Incl. Table

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Defense, January 8, 1943. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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	Personnel Required for Unit 30% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
1 Engine Pilot	12	15
2 Engine Pilot	3	
Engineering		2
Armament	1	
Weather	5	
Communications	3	3
Intelligence	4	
Statistical	10	
All Other Officers	39	81
Total Officers		
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin & Tech Clerk	21	79
Draftsman	3	
Airplane Armorer	15	16
Air Forces Radio Mech	10	
Air Forces Radio Oper	2	2
Air Forces Radio Opér & Mech	9	
Radio Mechanic (CHE)	12	
Radio Mechanic (P)	3	
Telephone and Telegraph Lineman	3	
Teletypewriter Mech	4	
Army Airplane & Engine Mech	28	24
Airplane Electrical Specialist	3	
Airplane Instrument Specialist	6	
Airplane Propeller Specialist	3	
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	6	
Army Airplane Depe & Fabric Worker	3	
Machinist	3	
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	3	
Welder	3	
Cook-Baker	19	15
Photographic Lab Tech	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech	4	
Automotive Equipment Oper	4	6
Heavy Automotive Equip Oper	3	15
Air Forces Painter		3
Carpenter	3	3
All Other Enlisted Men Group	6	15
Total Enlisted Men	179	180

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TO: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, A-2, Director of Individual Training, and Director of Military Personnel IN TURN

Date: 2-4-43
Comment No. 9
JBC:JB 5789

FROM: AirAdjutant General

1. To note and return.

2. Commanding General, Technical Training Command has been advised in the premises by this office.

JOHN B. COOLEY
Col., A.G.D.
Asst. Air A.G.

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Allotment of Medical Officers-- Services with the Army Air Forces

Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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Air Adjutant General

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For instructions as to action desired, attention being invited to basic communication and to Comments 4 and 6 above.

JOHN B. COOLEY
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FROM: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, A-2

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Allotment of Medical Officers— Services with the Army Air Forces

Deputy Chief of Air Staff 2-2-43

Air AdjutantGeneral JBC:JB 5789 7

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JOHN B. COOLEY
Col., A.G.D.
Asst. Air A.G.

2 Incls. n-c

TO: Air Adjutant General DATE 2/3/43

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff. COMMENT NO. 8
MAL/mdg/5265

1. The Deputy Chief of the Air Staff approves the recommendation of Asst. Chief of Air Staff, A-2, as stated in Item #6.

2. For necessary action to notify the Technical Training Command,

Incl. n/c

MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Lieut. Colonel, G. S. C.

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TO: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, A-2

Date: 1-29-43
Comment No. 5
JBC:JB 5789

FROM: Air Adjutant General

For comment or concurrence.

JOHN B. COOLIDGE,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Asst. Air A.G.

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Allotment of Medical Officers--Services with the Army Air Forces.

The Air Adjutant General

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Military Personnel Division

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1. Concurrence is given for action requested in par. 2 of basic communication.

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Colonel, Air Corps

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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

AAF 320.2 (AFPMP 1-B)

November 23, 1942.

SUBJECT: Allotment of Medical Department officers - Services with the Army Air Forces.

TO: Commanding General,

1. The enclosed table shows the allotment and breakdown of officers of the Medical Department assigned to your command in accordance with the latest approved tables of allotment, for other than T/O units. You are authorized to deviate from the station sub-allotments made in this table whenever circumstances warrant without reference to this headquarters, provided the total allotments fixed for each grade and for each corps for your command as a whole, are not exceeded.

2. When the jurisdiction of a station is transferred from one command to another, the commander of the old command will transfer to the commander of the new station the allotment of medical officers made by this table and will advise him of the number of such officers by grade and corps. Command allotments will be adjusted accordingly.

3. This table may be used as the basis for procurement and promotion of officers of the Medical Department.

4. Any omissions or discrepancies found to exist in this table will be reported to this headquarters (attention AFPMP 1-B).

5. All previous tables and instructions in conflict herewith are revoked.

By command of Lieutenant General ARNOLD:

FRED C. MILNER
Colonel, A.G.D.
Air Adjutant General.

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Table of Allotment.

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TO: Director of Military Personnel

FROM: Air Adjutant General

Date: 1-25-43
Comment No. 3
JBC:jb 5789

Prior to taking action on the request contained in par. 2, basic communication, your comment on the advisability of changing classification from "Confidential" to "Restricted" is requested.

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SIGNATURE OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICER				JOHN E. [illegible] Col., A.G.D. Asst. Air A. G.		
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Allotment of Medical Officers—Services with the Army Air Forces.

Director of Military Personnel. 1-16-43

Director of Individual Training (3) 1

ERB:jip 4084

1. Inviting attention to Paragraph 2 of attached basic communication.

2. Request this office be advised of action taken.

3. Further request this office be furnished copy of reference correspondence.

L. S. SMITH,
Brig. General, U.S.A.

1 Incl:
L&r. fr. AAFTTC
dtd 12/28/42

TO: The Air Adjutant General DATE 1-20-43

FROM: Military Personnel Division COMMENT NO 2
1-R/EDPmwr/7238

1. Forwarded for your consideration as the publication mentioned in attached was forwarded to the field by your office.

Incl:
n/c

K. S. WETZEL
Colonel, Air Corps

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Director of Program Planning (Att. Col. Morgan)

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Air Adjutant General

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JOHN B. COOLEY
Colonel, A.C.S.
Asst. Air Adj. Gen.

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RLS:mls 71089

SUBJECT: Activation of Unit.

4th Ind. AFDFU

U. S., Eq. Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C. - To: The Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C.

1. Your attention is invited to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Indorsements.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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The Adjutant General's Office
Washington, D. C.

AG 320.2 (1-9-43) OB-I

January 9, 1943.

SUBJECT: Activation of Unit.

TO: Commanding General,
AAF Proving Ground Command,
Eglin Field, Fla.

It is desired that the date and authority for activation of the Air Base Detachment, at Edgewood Arsenal, Md. be reported to this office by indorsement hereon.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ Otto Johnson
Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES PROVING GROUND COMMAND, Eglin Field, Florida, January 12, 1943.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C.

Information called for in basic communication is not available in this office. Request your Headquarters furnish The Adjutant General with date of activation of Air Base Detachment, at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland.

For the Commanding General:

E. B. GARRETT, JR.,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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SUBJECT: Activation of Unit.

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W. D., Hq. Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C. - To: Hq. Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio.

1. Forwarded for necessary action since this unit was previously assigned to your Command.

2. The information requested in the basic communication is not available in this Headquarters.

By command of Lieutenant General ARNOLD:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

320.2 3rd Ind. 27

AAF HQ ASC Patterson Fld, Fairfield, O. January 23, 1943. To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Director of Program Planning and Control, Washington, D. C.

This headquarters has no record of the Air Base Detachment, Edgewood Arsenal, Md., ever being assigned to this Command.

For the Commanding General:

R. L. EASTON,
Colonel, Air Corps,
Chief, Training and
Operations Section.

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SUBJECT: Activation of Unit. ELS:mls 71089

2nd Ind. JAN 24 1943 AFHQ

W. D., Sq. Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C. - TO: Sq. Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio.

1. Forwarded for necessary action since this unit was previously assigned to your Command.

2. The information requested in the basic communication is not available in this Headquarters.

By command of Lieutenant General ARNOLD:

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Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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The Adjutant General's Office

AG 320.2 (1-9-43) OB-I

January 9, 1943

SUBJECT: Activation of Unit.

TO: Commanding General,
AAF Proving Ground Command,
Eglin Field, Florida.

It is desired that the date and authority for activation of the Air Base Detachment, at Edgewood Arsenal Md., be reported to this office by indorsement hereon.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ Otto Johnson
Adjutant General.

1st Ind.

HEADQUARTERS? ARMY AIR FORCES PROVING GROUND COMMAND, Eglin Field, Florida, January 12, 1943.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C.

Information called for in basic communication is not available in this office. Request your Headquarters furnish The Adjutant General with date of activation of Air Base Detachment, at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland.

For the Commanding General:

/s/ E. B. GARRETT, Jr.,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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JAN 24 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the 404th Bombardment Squadron (Hv).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force re-organize the 404th Bombardment Squadron (Hv) in accordance with Table of Organization #1-117, July 1, 1942. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

1. This action does not authorize any change of station or assignment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Western Defense Command and Alaskan Defense Command, January 8, 1943 and a directive from Operations Division as indicated on disposition form GPD 320.2 ADG (1-8-43), subject "Re-Organization of the 404th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy)", dated January 18, 1943.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (1-26-43) OB-I-APsh, subject as above, dated January 26, 1943 be amended by adding the attached inclosure.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Middlebrd Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Supply Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Incl. Personnel Schedule

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Third Air Force as indicated in teletype RAF FORCE, dated February 6, 1943 for a breakdown of personnel required for unit [illegible] manned and unit [illegible] manned for Light and Dive Bombardment units. This inclosure was not available at the time letter was published authorizing activation of 418th Bombardment Sq (L) and 494th Bombardment Group (D).

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Bomb Group - (Light)

	Personnel Required for Unit and Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit and Manned		
	Sq.	1 Sq.	Gp. total Sq. + 4 Sq.	Sq.	1 Sq.	Gp. total Sq. + 4 Sq.
AAF PERSONNEL						
Officers						
4 Engine Pilot						
2 Engine Pilot	7	1	11	7	8	19
Service Pilot						
Glider Pilot						
Bombardier						
Navigator						
Bombardier - Navigator						
Observer						
Engineering	0	0	0	0	2	8
Armament	0	0	0	0	1	4
Weather	1	0	1	1	1	5
Communications	1	1	5	1	1	5
Radio (V-E)						
Controller						
Photographic						
Intelligence	2	0	2	2	1	6
Photographic Interpreter	1	0	1	1	1	5
Statistical	2	0	2	2	0	2
All other Officers	3	3	16	4	4	20
Total Officers	17	5	38	18	14	74
Enlisted Men						
Administrative and Technical Clerk	9	10	49	17	38	160
Cryptographer						
Draftsman	1	0	1	1	0	1
Airplane Armorer	0	2	8	1	3	12
Airplane Armorer - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aerial Torpedo Mechanic						
Bombsight Mechanic						
Power Turret and Gunsight Specialist						
Air Forces Radio Mechanic	0	3	12	0	4	16
Air Forces Radio Operator	0	1	4	0	3	12
Air Forces Radio Operator and Mechanic	0	1	4	0	1	4
Air Forces Radio Operator-Mechanic Gunner						
Radio Operator (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (CHS)						
Army Control Tower Operator	0	0	0	0	0	0
Radio Mechanic (F)						
Radio Mechanic (I or V)						
Radio Mechanic (M)						

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Radio Observer (I or V)						
Radio Observer (M)						
Link Trainer Instructor						
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	0	1	4	0	1	4
Telephone & Telegraph Repair man						
Teletypewriter Mechanic	0	3	12	0	5	20
Teletype Operator						
Aerial Gunner						
Enlisted Airplane Pilot						
Enlisted Bombardier						
Enlisted Glider Pilot						
Enlisted Mission Pilot - Mechanic						
Enlisted Service Pilot						
Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic	1	8	33	1	11	45
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (IM)						
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (EO)						
Army Airplane Mechanic - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Electrical Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Hydraulic Specialist						
Airplane Instrument Specialist	0	1	4	0	1	4
Airplane Propeller Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Power Plant Specialist						
Airplane Cable Mechanic						
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	0	2	8	0	4	16
Airplane Woodworker						
Army Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker						
Fuel Tank Repairman						
Glider Mechanic						
Machinist						
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	0	0	0	0	0	0
Storage Battery Electrician						
Welder	0	2	8	0	2	8
Cook-Baker	2	3	14	3	10	43
Army Aerial Photographer						
Motion Picture Projectionist						
Photo Interpreter	0	0	0	1	0	1
Photographic Laboratory Technician						
Automotive Equipment Mechanic	0	2	8	0	2	8
Automotive Equipment Operator	0	7	28	0	11	44
Heavy Automotive Equipment Operator	0	4	16	0	8	32
Crash Boat Operator						
Air Forces Painter						
Carpenter	0	1	4	0	1	4
General Electrician						
Weather Forecaster						
Weather Observer						
Weather Observer - Teletypewriter Technician						
Radio Sonde Operator						
Other Specialists						
All other Enlisted Men Group	2	6	26	2	10	42

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Total Enlisted Men	15	87	348	26	116	496
OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES						
OFFICERS						
Corps of Chaplains	1	0	1	1	0	1
Medical Dept.	2	0	2	2	1	6
Ordnance Dept	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Officers	3	0	3	3	1	7
ENLISTED MEN						
Chemical Warfare Service	0	1	4	0	1	4
Medical Dept.	3	1	7	3	4	19
Ordnance Dept.	0	4	16	0	9	38
Total Enlisted Men	3	5	27	3	14	61
AGGREGATE STRENGTH						
Officers	20	5	40	21	15	81
Enlisted Men	18	92	370	29	129	547

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Bomb Group - (Hvy)

	Personnel Required for Unit 25% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit 50% Manned		
	Sq.	1 Sq.	Sp total Sq. + 4 Sq.	Sq.	1 Sq.	Sp. total Sq. + 4 Sq.
AAF PERSONNEL						
Officers						
4 Engine Pilot						
2 Engine Pilot						
Service Pilot						
1 Engine Pilot	7	1	11	7	6	31(a)
Glider Pilot						
Bombardier						
Navigator						
Bombardier - Navigator						
Observer						
Engineering	0	0	1(b)	0	2	8
Armament	0	0	0	0	1	4
Bombsight Maintenance						
Weather	1	0	1	1	1	6
Communications	1	1	8	1	1	8
Radio (V-I)						
Controller						
Photographic						
Intelligence	2	0	2	2	1	6
Photographic Interpreter	1	0	1	1	1	6
Statistical	2	0	2	2	0	2
All other Officers	4	4	20(c)	4	4	20
Total Officers	18	6	48(c)	18	17	88
Enlisted Men						
Administrative and Technical Clerk	9	10	49	23	30	178
Cryptographer						
Draftsman	1	0	1	1	0	1
Airplane Armorer	0	2	8	1	3	15
Airplane Armorer - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aerial Torpedo Mechanic						
Bombsight Mechanic						
Power Turret and Gunsight Specialist						
Air Forces Radio Mechanic	0	3	12	0	4	16
Air Forces Radio Operator	0	1	4	0	3	12
Air Forces Radio Operator and Mechanic	0	0	0	0	1	4
Air Forces Radio Operator-Mechanic Gunner						
Radio Operator (AAGS)						
Radio Mechanic (AAGS)						
Radio Mechanic (GHS)						
Army Control Tower Operator	0	0	0	0	1	4
Radio Mechanic (F)	0	0	0	0	1	4
Radio Mechanic (I or V)						
Radio Mechanic (H)						

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Radio Observer (I or V)						
Radio Observer (M)						
Link Trainer Instructor						
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	0	1	4	0	1	4
Telephone & Telegraph Repair man						
Teletypewriter Mechanic	0	2	8	0	5	20
Teletype Operator						
Aerial Gunner						
Enlisted Airplane Pilot						
Enlisted Bombardier						
Enlisted Glider Pilot						
Enlisted Liaison Pilot - Mechanic						
Enlisted Service Pilot						
Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic	1	8	33	1	11	45
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (EM)						
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (Eb)						
Army Airplane Mechanic - Gunner						
Airplane Electrical Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Hydraulic Specialist						
Airplane Instrument Specialist	0	1	4	0	2	8
Airplane Propeller Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Power Plant Specialist						
Airplane Cable Mechanic						
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	0	2	8	0	4	16
Airplane Woodworker						
Army Airplane Depo & Fabric Worker						
Fuel Tank Repairman						
Glider Mechanic						
Machinist						
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	0	0	0	0	0	0
Storage Battery Electrician						
Welder	0	0	0	0	1	4
Cook&Baker	2	3	14	3	10	42
Army Aerial Photographer						
Motion Picture Projectionist						
Photo Interpreter	0	0	0	1	0	1
Photographic Laboratory Technician						
Automotive Equipment Mechanic	0	2	8	0	2	8
Automotive Equipment Operator	0	11	44	0	11	44
Heavy Automotive Equipment Operator	0	4	8	0	4	8
Crash Boat Operator						
Air Forces Painter						
Carpenter	0	1	4			
General Electrician						
Weather Forecaster						
Weather Observer						
Weather Observer - Teletypewriter Technician						
Radio Sonde Operator						
Other Specialists						
All other Enlisted Men Group	2	4	18	2	10	42
Total Enlisted Men	[illegible]	[illegible]	261	22	117	809

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SERVICE ARMS AND SERVICES						
OFFICERS						
Corps of Chaplains	1	0	1	1	0	1
Medical Dept.	2	0	2	2	1	6
Ordnance Dept.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Officers	3	0	3	3	1	7
ENLISTED MEN						
Chemical Warfare Service	0	1	4	0	1	4
Medical Dept.	3	0	3	3	4	19
Ordnance Dept.	0	9	36	0	13	52
Total Enlisted Men	3	9	43	3	18	75
AGGREGATE STRENGTH						
Officers	21	6	46	21	18	96
Enlisted Men	18	80	294	35	135	477

(a) 2 Sqdns @ 7

(b) 1 Engineering Officer in Sp authorized at 25% Manned

(c) 1 Sqd @ 7

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (1-24-43) OR-I-AF-M, subject as above, dated January 25, 1943 be amended by adding the attached inclosure.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. O.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Incl. Personnel Schedule

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Third Air Force as indicated in teletype RAF FS600, dated February 6, 1943 for a breakdown of personnel required for unit 25% manned and unit 50% manned for Light and Dive Bombardment units. This inclosure was not available at the time letter was published authorizing activation of 416th Bombardment Gp (L) and 404th Bombardment Group (D).

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Bomb Group - (Light)

	Personnel Required for Unit 2SQ Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit 3SQ Manned		
	Eq.	1 Sq.	Gp. total Eq.+ 4 Sq.	Eq.	1 Sq.	Gp. total Eq.+ 4 Sq.
AAF PERSONNEL						
Officers						
4 Engine Pilot						
2 Engine Pilot	7	1	11	7	3	19
Service Pilot						
Glider Pilot						
Bombardier						
Navigator						
Bombardier - Navigator						
Observer						
Engineering	0	0	0	0	2	8
Armament	0	0	0	0	1	4
Weather	1	0	1	1	1	5
Communications	1	1	5	1	1	5
Radio (V-E)						
Controller						
Photographic						
Intelligence	2	0	2	2	1	6
Photographic Interpreter	1	0	1	1	1	5
Statistical	2	0	2	2	0	2
All other Officers	3	3	15	4	4	20
Total Officers	17	5	32	18	14	74
Enlisted Men						
Administrative and Technical Clerk	9	10	49	17	28	169
Cryptographer						
Draftsman	1	0	1	1	0	1
Airplane Armorer	0	2	8	1	3	13
Airplane Armorer - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aerial Torpedo Mechanic						
Bombsight Mechanic						
Power Turret and Gunsight Specialist						
Air Forces Radio Mechanic	0	3	12	0	4	16
Air Forces Radio Operator	0	1	4	0	3	12
Air Forces Radio Operator and Mechanic	0	1	4	0	1	4
Air Forces Radio Operator-Mechanic Gunner						
Radio Operator (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (CHS)						
Army Control Tower Operator	0	0	0	0	0	0
Radio Mechanic (F)						
Radio Mechanic (E or V)						
Radio Mechanic (M)						

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Radio Observer (I or V)						
Radio Observer (N)						
Link Trainer Instructor						
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	0	1	4	0	1	4
Telephone & Telegraph Repair man						
Teletypewriter Mechanic	0	3	12	0	5	20
Teletype Operator						
Aerial Gunner						
Enlisted Airplane Pilot						
Enlisted Bombardier						
Enlisted Glider Pilot						
Enlisted Liaison Pilot - Mechanic						
Enlisted Service Pilot						
Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic	1	8	33	1	11	46
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (EM)						
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (DO)						
Army Airplane Mechanic - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Electrical Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Hydraulic Specialist						
Airplane Instrument Specialist	0	1	4	0	1	4
Airplane Propeller Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Power Plant Specialist						
Airplane Cable Mechanic						
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	0	2	8	0	4	16
Airplane Woodworker						
Army Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker						
Fuel Tank Repairman						
Glider Mechanic						
Machinist						
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	0	0	0	0	0	0
Storage Battery Electrician						
Welder	0	2	8	0	2	8
Cook-Baker	2	3	14	3	10	46
Army Aerial Photographer						
Motion Picture Projectionist						
Photo Interpreter	0	0	0	1	0	1
Photographic Laboratory Technician						
Automotive Equipment Mechanic	0	2	8	0	2	8
Automotive Equipment Operator	0	7	28	0	11	44
Heavy Automotive Equipment Operator	0	4	16	0	8	32
Crash Boat Operator						
Air Forces Painter						
Carpenter	0	1	4	0	1	4
General Electrician						
Weather Forecaster						
Weather Observer						
Weather Observer - Teletypewriter Technician						
Radio Sonde Operator						
Other Specialists						
All other Enlisted Men Group	2	6	26	2	10	42

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Total Enlisted Men	16	87	243	26	115	486
OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES						
OFFICERS						
Corps of Chaplains	1	0	1	1	0	1
Medical Dept.	2	0	2	2	1	6
Ordnance Dept	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Officers	3	0	3	3	1	7
ENLISTED MEN						
Chemical Warfare Service	0	1	4	0	1	4
Medical Dept.	3	1	7	3	4	19
Ordnance Dept.	0	4	16	0	9	38
Total Enlisted Men	3	5	27	3	14	61
AGGREGATE STRENGTH						
Officers	20	5	40	21	15	81
Enlisted Men	18	62	270	29	129	547

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Bomb Group - (Medium)

	Personnel Required for Unit [illegible] Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit [illegible] Manned		
	Sq.	1 Sq.	Gp total Sq. + 4 Sq.	Sq.	1 Sq.	Gp. total Sq. + 4 Sq.
AAF PERSONNEL						
Officers						
4 Engine Pilot						
2 Engine Pilot						
Service Pilot						
1 Engine Pilot	7	1	11	7	6	31(a)
Glider Pilot						
Bombardier						
Navigator						
Bombardier - Navigator						
Observer						
Engineering	0	0	1(b)	0	2	8
Armament	0	0	0	0	1	4
Bombsight Maintenance						
Weather	1	0	1	1	1	5
Communications	1	1	8	1	1	8
Radio (V-I)						
Controller						
Photographic						
Intelligence	2	0	2	2	1	6
Photographic Interpreter	1	0	1	1	1	8
Statistical	2	0	2	2	0	2
All other Officers	4	4	20(c)	4	4	20
Total Officers	18	8	48(c)	18	17	88
Enlisted Men						
Administrative and Technical Clerk	9	10	49	23	38	178
Cryptographer						
Draftsman	1	0	1	1	0	1
Airplane Armorer	0	2	8	1	3	15
Airplane Armorer - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aerial Torpedo Mechanic						
Bombsight Mechanic						
Power Turret and Gunsight Specialist						
Air Forces Radio Mechanic	0	3	12	0	4	16
Air Forces Radio Operator	0	1	4	0	3	12
Air Forces Radio Operator and Mechanic	0	0	0	0	1	4
Air Forces Radio Operator-Mechanic Gunner						
Radio Operator (AAGS)						
Radio Mechanic (AAGS)						
Radio Mechanic (CMS)						
Army Control Tower Operator	0	0	0	0	1	4
Radio Mechanic (P)	0	0	0	0	1	4
Radio Mechanic (I or V)						
Radio Mechanic (M)						

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Radio Observer (I or V)						
Radio Observer (M)						
Link Trainer Instructor						
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	0	1	4	0	1	4
Telephone & Telegraph Repair man						
Teletypewriter Mechanic	0	2	8	0	5	20
Teletype Operator						
Aerial Gunner						
Enlisted Airplane Pilot						
Enlisted Bombardier						
Enlisted Glider Pilot						
Enlisted Liaison Pilot - Mechanic						
Enlisted Service Pilot						
Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic	1	8	33	1	11	45
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (IM)						
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (IB)						
Army Airplane Mechanic - Gunner						
Airplane Electrical Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Hydraulic Specialist						
Airplane Instrument Specialist	0	1	4	0	2	8
Airplane Propeller Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Power Plant Specialist						
Airplane Cable Mechanic						
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	0	2	8	0	4	16
Airplane Woodworker						
Army Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker						
Fuel Tank Repairman						
Glider Mechanic						
Machinist						
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	0	0	0	0	0	0
Storage Battery Electrician						
Welder	0	0	0	0	1	4
Cook&Baker	2	3	14	3	10	46
Army Aerial Photographer						
Motion Picture Projectionist						
Photo Interpreter	0	0	0	1	0	1
Photographic Laboratory Technician						
Automotive Equipment Mechanic	0	2	8	0	2	8
Automotive Equipment Operator	0	11	44	0	11	44
Heavy Automotive Equipment Operator	0	4	8	0	4	8
Crash Boat Operator						
Air Forces Painter						
Carpenter	0	1	4			
General Electrician						
Weather Forecaster						
Weather Observer						
Weather Observer - Teletypewriter Technician						
Radio Sonde Operator						
Other Specialists						
All other Enlisted Men Group	2	4	18	2	10	42
Total Enlisted Men	[illegible]	[illegible]	261	32	117	502

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OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES						
OFFICERS						
Corps of Chaplains	1	0	1	1	0	1
Medical Dept.	2	0	2	2	1	6
Ordnance Dept.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Officers	3	0	3	3	1	7
ENLISTED MEN						
Chemical Warfare Service	0	1	4	0	1	4
Medical Dept.	3	0	3	3	4	19
Ordnance Dept.	0	9	36	0	13	52
Total Enlisted Men	3	9	43	3	18	75
AGGREGATE STRENGTH						
Officers	21	6	46	21	18	96
Enlisted Men	18	88	294	35	135	577

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(b) 1 Engineering Officer in Sp authorised at 225 Manned

(c) 1 Sqd @ 7

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, activated by, and assigned to the Third Air Force immediately:

Unit	Station	Priority Ratings for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq, 404th Bombardment Gp (D)	Key Field, Meridian, Miss.	C-1-1342
640th Bombardment Sq (D)		
641st Bombardment Sq (D)		
642nd Bombardment Sq (D)		
643rd Bombardment Sq (D)		
Hq, 416th Bombardment Gp (L)	Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City, Okla.	C-1-1343
668th Bombardment Sq (L)		
669th Bombardment Sq (L)		
670th Bombardment Sq (L)		
671st Bombardment Sq (L)		

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1. The following tables of organization will be used as guides in the organization of these units; specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication:

Hq, Bombardment Groups (Dive and Light) -- T/O 1-112, July 1, 1942
Bombardment Squadrons (Light) -- T/O 1-137, July 1, 1942
Bombardment Squadrons (Dive) -- T/O 1-147, July 1, 1942

2. The Third Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replacement will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form #127, December 18, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

3. These units should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
February 23, 1943	March 23, 1943	April 23, 1943

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4. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942.

5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #296, dated June 26, 1942.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-38 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN R. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Support, January 7, 1943. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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JAN 24 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be relieved from assignment to the Second Air Force and re-assigned to the Third Air Force immediately:

Hq & Hq Sq, II Air Support Command
54th Tow Target Squadron
64th Tow Target Squadron
74th Tow Target Squadron

Hq, 69th Observation Group
104th Observation Sq
81st Observation Sq
102nd Observation Sq
115th Observation Sq

Hq, 77th Observation Group
120th Observation Sq
27th Observation Sq
113th Observation Sq
128th Observation Sq
160th Observation Sq
68th Observation Sq

Hq, 70th Observation Group
26th Observation Sq
116th Observation Sq
122nd Observation Sq

Hq, 71st Observation Group
82nd Observation Sq
110th Observation Sq
17th Observation Sq
25th Observation Sq

821st Signal Battalion, Air Support Command
7th Air Support Communications Sq
10th Air Support Communications Sq
12th Air Support Communications Sq

1. This action does not authorize any change of station.

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Table of Organization for the Air Inspector.

Chief of the Air Staff

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Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Management Control

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b. 54 officers for the Director of Inspection (which was then a sub-directorate of the office of the Director of Technical Services - May 5, 1942 T/O - Operating level).

3. The "Plan for the Expansion of AAF Inspection Activities" (copy attached) received verbal approval from General Stratemeyer to Colonel Gates. On the basis of this approval, the Director of Technical Inspection's office was transferred to the Special Staff level as a part of the office of the Air Inspector, and the Air Inspector was charged with tactical, technical and administrative inspection of AAF activities. The proper AAF regulations were subsequently issued charging the Air Inspector with these inspection functions.

4. In order to make this plan effective, 37 of the 52 officers authorized for technical and administrative inspection on the May 5, 1942 T/O were distributed among 11 regional offices (9 of which are operating at this date). The total officer complement of these regional offices was set at 77, as indicated on the attached proposed T/O.

5. The new T/O calls for 30 officers in Headquarters (see first seven columns of T/O), of which this office has approved a present allotment of only 24, and 77 in the field, or a total of 107 officers, plus 66 enlisted men for the 11 regional offices. This total complement is below that recommended in the attached "Plan" (See Comment 1 above and Tab G (last page in book) of the booklet "A Plan for expansion of AAF Inspection activities.")

6. It is requested that the "Plan" booklet be returned to this office as it is the only copy available.

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5 Incls:
1 Incl added - A Plan for the Expansion of AAF Inspection Activities.

BYRON E. GATES
Colonel, Air Corps

TO: The Air Inspector.

DATE: 1/23/43

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff.

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TO: Chief of the Air Staff

DATE 1-19-43

FROM: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Management Control

COMMENT NO. 5
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1. The T/O for May 5, 1942 is not a combined T/O.

2. The old T/O's provided:

a. 7 officers for the Air Inspector (April 20, 1942-Staff level)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the I Troop Carrier Command at the Army Air Base, Florence, North Carolina immediately:

Hq. 433rd Troop Carrier Group
69th Troop Carrier Squadron
68th Troop Carrier Squadron
69th Troop Carrier Squadron
70th Troop Carrier Squadron

2. Table of Organization #1-312, dated July 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of the Hq. Troop Carrier Group and Table of Organization #1-317, dated July 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of the Troop Carrier Squadrons. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The I Troop Carrier Command will supply cadre, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 197, September 12, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

4. These units should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength	Date to Commence Operations
January 25,1943	February 25,1943	March 25, 1943	April 1, 1943

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942.

6. These units will have a 2-1-2A7 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

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c. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFHRS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

1. Unit activated.
2. Units furnishing cadres.
3. Size of cadres.
4. Date of activation.

9. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-2A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #226, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S.F. Lentz)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgebird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (3 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. GOOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Support, January 11, 1943. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Redesignation and Re-Organization of the 9th Fighter Squadron.

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Memo for TAG,
above subject.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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JAN 21 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of the 9th Fighter Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 9th Fighter Squadron be redesignated as the 9th Fighter Squadron (Twin Engine) and re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization #1-37, dated July 1, 1942. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
CINC.-SWPA
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (8 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Concurrence:

A.C. of S., OPD ( )

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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JAN 21 1943
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from CINC.-SWPA, Message #CM-IN-8322 (1-13-43) and Air Defense, January 14, 1943, and is necessary since this Squadron is being equipped with twin engined aircraft. Message #CM-OUT-4458 (1-13-43) which stated that the Squadron would be redesignated under T/O #1-37, was co-ordinated with OPD (SWPA Theater).

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JAN 20 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 414th Night Fighter Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 414th Night Fighter Squadron be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics immediately at Orlando, Florida.

2. Table of Organization #1-87, dated October 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply cadre, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127, December 12, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

4. This unit will have an A-7(a)-212 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

5. A special list of equipment will be prepared by the Commanding General (Director of Base Services). Equipment in the special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

6. This unit should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	(See Incl)	Date to Reach 80% Strength	(See Incl)	Date to Reach 100% Strength and in Commence Training
Jan. 27, 1943		Feb. 10, 1943		March 1, 1943

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

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7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commandant, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Chank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Incl.
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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Dispatched
JAN 20
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Defense, December 31, 1942. Key personnel are available and this squadron is destined for shipment overseas as soon as aircraft become available. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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	Personnel for MAG Strength	Additional Personnel for MAG Strength
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
2 Engine Pilots	3	3
Engineering	1	
Armament	1	
Communications	1	
Radio Observer (I)	3	3
Intelligence		1
Statistical		
Radio Officer (s)	1	
Adjutant	1	
Supply	1	
	1	
Total	13	7
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin & Tech Clerks	7	8
Draftsmen		1
Armorer	2	
Power Turret-Gunsight Sp		2
AF Radio Mechanic	1	4
AF Radio Operator		1
AF Radio Mech & Oper	2	
AF Radio Mech (SCR)	4	3
Radio Mech F	1	2
Radio Mech I	2	8
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	
Teletypewriter Mech	1	
Aerial Gunner	1	6
Airplane & Engine Mech	4	20
Airplane Electrical Sp	1	1
Airplane Instrument Sp	1	
Airplane Propeller Sp	1	
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	1	
Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker	1	
Machinist Group	1	
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	1	
Welder	1	
Cook-Baker	3	3
Photographic Lab Tech	1	
Automotive Equip Mech	2	1
Hvy Automotive Equip Oper	1	3
AF Painter		1
Carpenter	1	
All Other Enlisted Men	1	7
Total	48	68

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	Personnel for 20% Strength	Additional Personnel for 80% Strength
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical		
Flight Surgeon		1
Total		1
Ordnance		
Ordnance	1	
Total	1	
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical		
Medical Tech	1	1
Surgical Tech	1	1
Auto Equip Oper	1	1
Medical NCO		1
Admin & Tech Clerk	1	
Total	4	4
Ordnance		
Weapons Mech Aircraft	2	1
Ammunition Worker	1	2
Total	3	3
Chemical		
Decontamination Equip Op	1	1
Total	1	1
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JAN 20 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 343rd Fighter Squadron (Twin Engine).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 343rd Fighter Squadron (Twin Engine) be constituted and activated immediately by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force at McChord Field, Washington and assigned to the 55th Fighter Group (Twin Engine).

1. Table of Organization #1-37, dated July 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Fourth Air Force will furnish cadre, replacements and fillers without delay. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127, December 12, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

3. This unit will have an A-8-1-8 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, January 8, 1943 and is necessary to replace the 37th Fighter Squadron (Twin Engine) which is scheduled for overseas movement to join the 14th Fighter Group (Twin Engine). The 58th Fighter Group (Twin Engine) is scheduled for overseas movement April, 1943. Personnel for this unit will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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JAN 19 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (12-26-42) OB-I-AF-M, dated December 28, 1942, subject as above, be amended as follows:

"Table of Basic Allowances #10 will be used in supplying equipment for the 1825th to the 1838th Ordnance HM Companies, Aviation (Q) inclusive, until such time as a Table of Equipment is published for this type of unit."

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Same as original letter.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: The above action is in accordance with R&R, Director of Base Services-Ordnance to Director of Program Planning, subject: "T/BA equipment for Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company, Aviation (Q)", dated January 11, 1943 which indicates that these companies were formerly Quartermaster Companies, and, as such, were provided for T/BA #10. This Table of Basic Allowances will be used for Ordnance Medium Maintenance Companies, Aviation (Q) until such time as a T/E is provided for this type of unit.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Formation of a Detachment, 17th Airways Communication Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That a Detachment, 17th Airways Communication Squadron, consisting of 25 enlisted men, be formed immediately at Bolling Field, D.C. by the Commanding Officer thereof. Personnel for this Detachment will be furnished from personnel now stationed in Bolling Field, D.C. for this purpose and will be disbanded upon joining its parent unit.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Communications)
Commanding Officer, 17th Airways Communication Squadron
Commanding Officer, Bolling Field, D.C.
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. O.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Communications, January 7, 1943 and is necessary in order that this personnel and equipment for the 17th Airways Communication Squadron may be shipped with the least practicable delay.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Fourth Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof on February 1, 1943:

Unit	Station of Activation	Priority Rating
388th Signal Co Avn (Less R.I. Platoon)	Pinedale, California	C-1-1239
394th Signal Co Avn (Less R.I. Platoon)	Pinedale, California	C-1-1240

1. These units will be organized under Table of Organization 11-217, dated May 19, 1942 with an authorized strength of five (5) officers and one hundred forty-three (143) enlisted men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Personnel).

2. The Fourth Air Force will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of A.A.F. Form #128, (Personnel Status Report).

3. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11, dated August 1, 1942. Signal Corps equipment will be supplied in accordance with A.A.F. regulation #65-10, dated December 17, 1942.

4. These units will be activated at cadre strength on February 1, 1943 and brought to full Table of Organization strength in accordance with the following schedule:

Reach 25 per cent of T/O strength by March 1, 1943
Reach 50 per cent of T/O strength by April 1, 1943
Reach 100 per cent of T/O strength by April 23, 1943
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5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMSG - Publications Section) 20 copies and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Units activated
b. Dates of activation
c. Source of cadre
d. Size of cadre

6. Army Air Forces Regulation #15-127, April 28, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R & R from Director of Communications to Program Planning, dated 1-9-43, subject: "Activation of Signal Corps Units with the Army Air Forces". These units are for special commitments to the Eighth and Twelfth Air Forces. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. The published directive should be confidential. Memorandum stamped Secret because of Memorandum for Record.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization, Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, Tenth Air Force and subordinate units be re-organized immediately in accordance with the attached tentative table of organization from personnel available to the Commanding General thereof.

II. That the Hq & Hq Sq, X Air Force Service Command be constituted and activated immediately in India by the Commanding General, Tenth Air Force at a station to be determined by him.

1. The attached manning table will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Personnel for this unit will be furnished from that available to the Commanding General, Tenth Air Force.

3. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 28, 1942.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

5. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-127, April 28, 15-128, May 8, 15-107, June 8, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, United States Army Forces in India, China and Burma
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)

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Chief of Transportation Corps
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Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a directive from OPD, W.D.G.S. as indicated in letter OPD 320.2 CTO (12-26-42), Subject "Hq, Tenth Air Force and Subordinate Units", December 26, 1942. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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JAN 14 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the commanders indicated immediately:

Unit	Station	Activated by CG and Assigned to
Hq, 380th Bombardment Gp (Hv) 568th Bombardment Sq (Hv) 569th Bombardment Sq (Hv) 570th Bombardment Sq (Hv) 571st Bombardment Sq (Hv)	Geiger Field, Wash.	Second Air Force
Hq, 381st Bombardment Gp (M) 572nd Bombardment Sq (M) 573rd Bombardment Sq (M) 574th Bombardment Sq (M) 575th Bombardment Sq (M)	MacDill Field, Fla.	Third Air Force
Hq, 382nd Bombardment Gp (Hv) 576th Bombardment Sq (Hv) 577th Bombardment Sq (Hv) 578th Bombardment Sq (Hv) 579th Bombardment Sq (Hv)	Davis-Monthan Field, Arizona	Second Air Force
Hq & Hq Sq, 40th Bombardment Wing	MacDill Field, Fla.	Third Air Force

1. The tables of organization listed below will be used as guides in the organization of these units; specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication:

Hq & Hq Sq, Bombardment Wing — T/O #1-110-1, dated Nov. 21, 1942
Hq, Bombardment Gps (Hv) and (M) — T/O #1-112, dated July 1, 1942
Bombardment Sqs (Hv) — T/O #1-117, dated July 1, 1942
Bombardment Sqs (M) — T/O #1-127, dated July 1, 1942.

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3. The Air Forces concerned will supply cadre, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

3. These units should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

	Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
390th Bombardment Gp (Hv)	1-25-43 (Incl #1)	2-25-43 (Incl #1)	3-25-43
391st Bombardment Gp (M)	1-25-43 (Incl #2)	2-25-43 (Incl #2)	3-22-43
392nd Bombardment Gp (Hv)	1-25-43 (Incl #1)	2-25-43 (Incl #1)	3-25-43
Hq & Hq Sq, 40th Bombardment Wing	- - - - - - - - - -	- - - - - - - - - -	Scheduled for overseas shipment in May, 1943.

4. These units will have the following priority ratings for controlled items of equipment.

390th Bombardment Gp (Hv)	C-1-1217
391st Bombardment Gp (M)	C-1-1218
392nd Bombardment Gp (Hv)	C-1-1219
Hq & Hq Sq, 40th Bombardment Wing	C-1-1220

5. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942, plus additional equipment to be specified by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Bombardment).

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #216, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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#1 - Hv Bomb (2/O less 13 Combat Crews)
#2 - Medium Bomb (2/O less 7 Combat Crews)

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Bombardment, December 29, 1942. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Re-Organization of the 11th Fighter Control Squadron.

OPD, W.D.G.S.

Necessary action

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above subject.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the 11th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 11th Fighter Control Squadron be re-organized by the Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force in accordance with Table of Organization #1-47, dated December 11, 1942, plus five HF Teams (Column 20), six Radio Link Teams (Column 21) and nine Mess Teams (Column 17). Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

1. The Eleventh Air Force will supply fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Frank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, January 1, 1943, has been verbally co-ordinated between Colonel Ohman, AFDPU and Colonel Fisher, OPD. This re-organization is necessary since

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VHF Fighter Control equipment is now in the process of being installed in the Alaskan regions and the War Department has approved siting plans and projects for the installation of this equipment, at service stations in this theater. A large percentage of these locations can be reached only by barge, and terrain and access conditions are such that these stations will be supplied at intervals of from two to eight weeks. During these periods, these outlying stations must operate as self sufficient units. Personnel will be within the present authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment of the 622nd Air Evacuation Squadron (L).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 622nd Air Evacuation Squadron (L) be disbanded immediately; all personnel and equipment will be absorbed in other units under the control of the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Dispatched
JAN 7 1943
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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Air Surgeon, December 31, 1942 and is necessary to release valuable Air Corps personnel for immediate duty elsewhere since there is no point in maintaining this unit now as it has become apparent that considerable further time will be required to obtain the most suitable type of aircraft for this purpose.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Platoons

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 798th and 799th Signal Aircraft Warning Platoons be constituted, assigned to the Third Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof on January 15, 1943 or as soon thereafter as practicable at Drew Field, Florida from personnel sources under his control.

2. The attached Manning Table, Inclosure #1, will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. The authorized strengths of these units will be three (3) officers, one (1) Warrant Officer and seventy-six (76) enlisted men including two (2) enlisted men attached medical. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Personnel).

2. The Commanding General, Third Air Force will organize, assign and ship the installation teams, column 3, Inclosure #1, to a station to be designated by the Commanding General, Services of Supply (Chief Signal Officer) for training in installation and maintenance functions and return to parent unit. The Commanding General, Services of Supply (Chief Signal Officer) will call for the installation teams at the earliest practicable date. Direct communication consistent with the classification of this directive is authorized in this connection.

3. The Commanding General, Third Air Force will organize and train the operating increment, Column 2, Inclosure #1, at Drew Field, Florida at the earliest practicable date. A cadre, Column 7, Inclosure #1 will be organized and trained simultaneously with the organized and trained operating teams. Overstrength equivalent to the cadre is authorized. The cadre will accompany the unit to the initial operating site when the unit leaves Florida. Cadre need not hold the grades indicated but must be capable of absorbing training to perform the duties of positions for which they are selected.

4. Promotion to cadre grades and to fill vacancies may be made within sixty days before transfer of the cadre to a new unit.

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5. Should a source unit be ordered out of the continental limits of the United States before the cadre is withdrawn, the cadre will be left and the source units will notify the Commanding General, Army Air Forces that the cadre is available.

6. The above actions will be accomplished without reduction in grade of any enlisted man concerned. Transfers will be made in grade.

7. Requisitions in accordance with War Department letter, AG 341 (5-6-42) MC-M, dated May 6, 1942, subject: "Requisitions for Enlisted Replacements for Units in the Continental United States" for filler personnel will be submitted immediately indicating the date fillers should arrive at the station.

8. Paragraph 2 of Army Air Forces Memorandum #35-1, dated June 13, 1942, subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates" applies.

9. These units will be equipped in accordance with a special list of equipment to be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

a. A special list of equipment will be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Air Defense)(two copies only) and submitted to the Director of Base Services.

b. Equipment in the Special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner and shipped to the unit at station of activation.

c. Priority ratings for controlled items of equipment will be as follows:

Unit	Priority Rating
798th Signal Aircraft Warning Platoon	C-1-1176
799th Signal Aircraft Warning Platoon	A-7(a) - 189

10. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Third Air Force to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAS - Publications Section) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General without delay, giving the following information:

a. Units activated
b. Dates of activation
c. Source of Cadre
d. Size of Cadre

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11. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

12. Army Air Forces Regulation #15-127, April 28, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force (four copies)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Halabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Dispatched
JAN 7 1943
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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Manning Table

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: The above action requested in R& R AFRAD to AFRPU, dated December 29, 1942, in order to provide Aircraft Warning personnel for special foreign equipment furnished the United States. Personnel for this action will be within the authorized strengths of the Army Air Forces. Action on the part of Chief Signal Officer has been informally concurred in by representative of AFRAD and the Chief Signal Officer. Special Manning Table was furnished by AFRAD.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Disbandment of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated and disbanded as indicated below:

1 Old Designation	2 New Designation	3 Units to be Disbanded and Absorbed	4 Station of New Units	5 Authorized Strength Off EM EM
617th Sig AW Plotting Co (F)	617th Sig AW Co Regional C-1-1172	664th Sig AW Rptg Co (F)	Mobile, Ala.	34 6 351 (includes 8 EM, atchd medical)
618th Sig AW Plotting Co (F)	618th Sig AW Co Regional C-1-1173	669th Sig AW Rptg Co (F)	New Orleans, La.	32 7 346 (includes 10 EM, atchd medical)
619th Sig AW Plotting Co (F)	619th Sig AW Co Regional C-1-1174	666th Sig AW Rptg Co (F)	Houston, Texas	32 7 346 (includes 10 EM, atchd medical)
620th Sig AW Plotting Co (F)	620th Sig AW Co Regional C-1-1175	667th Sig AW Rptg Co (F)	San Antonio, Texas	26 4 198 (includes 4 EM, atchd medical)

1. The units indicated in column #2 will be reorganized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force from personnel sources under his control.

II. That the units indicated in column #3 be disbanded concurrently with the redesignation of the units listed in column #1 and the personnel and equipment of the disbanded units be absorbed by units in column #2.

III. Table of Organization #11-437, dated July 1, 1942, modified to include the quantity of sections, teams or platoons indicated on Inclosure #1, will be used as a guide for the organization of these units. The units listed above will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-3,

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dated September 9, 1942. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

1. Transfer of personnel will be without loss of grade.

2. The Third Air Force will supply fillers and replacement personnel. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 128 (Personnel Status Report).

3. Paragraph #2 AAF Memorandum #35-1, dated June 13, 1942, subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", applies.

4. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Third Air Force without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Confirmation of redesignations.
b. Units disbanded.
c. Amount of personnel transferred to each unit.
d. Dates of disbandments.

5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, April 28, 1942, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 6, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force (4 copies)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R, AFRAD to AFDPU, subject: "Reorganization of ANS Units in Third Air Force". This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Priority ratings furnished by AFRON.

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" Organization of Signal Companies Regional, AAF,
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Section, Team or Platoon	617th Signal Company, AW, Regional	618th Sig Co, AW Regional	619th Sig Co, AW, Regional	620th Sig Co AW, Regional	REMARKS
3 Regional Signal Officer's Section	1	1	1	1	
4 Headquarters Section	1	1	1	1	
5 Supply and Transportation Section	1	1	1	1	
6 Radio Team	2	2	2	1	One per 2 radar sets or fraction thereof.
7 Message Center Team	3	2	2	2	One per Info. Con and isolated Fil. Cons.
8 Information Center Section	1	1	1	1	One per Info. Con.
9 Filter Center Section	2	1	1	1	One per Fil. Con.
10 RDF Filter Team	1	1	1	1	
11 Region Ground Observer Section	1	1	1	1	One per region.
13 Filter Area Ground Observer Section	3	2	2	2	One per Filter Area.
14 Reporting Platoon	4	3	3	2	One per radar net.
15 Radar Operating Team	4				Two per SCR-588 with RTA.
16 Medical Team	4	1	1	1	One per reporting platoon.

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JAN 7 1943

Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

OPD, W.D.G.S.

Necessary action.

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Incl. Memo for TAG,
above subject.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JAN 7 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation
1st Communications Sq, Air Support	1st Air Support Communication Sq
3rd Communications Sq, Air Support	3rd Air Support Communication Sq
8th Communications Sq, Air Support	8th Air Support Communication Sq

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Middle East
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

Concurrence: For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the plan to designate all units in accordance with that indicated in the table of organization.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of the 6th Fighter Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 6th Fighter Squadron be redesignated as the 6th Night Fighter Squadron.

1. Table of Organization #1-67, dated October 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the re-organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a seperate communication.

II. That the Commanding General, Hawaiian Department be advised of this action by secret radiogram.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Memorandum for the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, OPD 320.2 Misc (8-26-42), Subject "Redesignation of Fighter Squadron".

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JAN 6 1943

Re-Assignment of the 333rd Fighter Squadron.

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For necessary action

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above subject.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of the 333rd Fighter Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 333rd Fighter Squadron be relieved from assignment to the 18th Fighter Group and re-assigned to the 318th Fighter Group.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with radiogram to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces from "Ramona", Fort Shafter, T.H. #CM-IN-44, dated January 1, 1943 and was verbally concurred in with Colonel Eckhardt (OPD) and Colonel Berguist (AFRAD).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Tow Target Detachments.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Paragraph 2 of letter AG 320.2 (11-26-42) OR-I-AF-M, subject as above, dated December 3, 1942 be rescinded.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with requests from the Commanding General, Sixth Air Force, December 10, Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command, December 15, OPD, W.D.G.S., December 19 and AFRAS, December 26, 1942. In order to come within the troop limitations prescribed by the War Department it was impossible to retain the Tow Target Squadron and at the same time keep units which the Caribbean Defense Command considers as absolutely essential. While it is desirable to have a tow target squadron, certain units had to be eliminated and after thorough consideration the tow target squadron was chosen to be one of the units recommended for elimination.

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JAN 6 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Transfer of the 1001st Quartermaster Company Boat (Aviation)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 1001st Quartermaster Company Boat Aviation be transferred less personnel and equipment to the Commanding General, Services of Supply (Commanding General, New Orleans, La., Port of Embarkation) for organizing, equipping, and training for overseas service effective January 20, 1943.

1. Personnel for this unit will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces upon call of the Commanding General, Services of Supply (Commanding General, New Orleans, La., Port of Embarkation).

2. Upon completion of training this unit will be returned to the Army Air Forces (Air Service Command) for shipment to overseas destination.

3. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Air Service Command and the Commanding General, Services of Supply to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General, without delay, giving the following information:

a. Confirmation of transfer of this unit.
b. Date unit completes organization and training
c. Date of return of control of this unit to the Army Air Forces (Air Service Command).

4. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, April 28, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Ohio
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Quartermaster General
Commanding General, New Orleans, La., Port of Embarkation
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
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Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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By Capt. Blackburn

Concurrence:
Commanding General, Services of Supply
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action requested by AFRBS due to the lack of facilities in the Army Air Forces for training units of this type. The Commanding General, Services of Supply (Brigadier General Robert M. Rylie, Colonel Du Vall C. Watkins, Lt. Colonel Donald E. Farr, Colonel William P. Blair and Major Frank B. Crider) has informally concurred in the above action.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Transfer of Certain Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crews, Aviation.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 1535th, 1536th, 1537th and 1538th Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crews (Aviation) be transferred less personnel and equipment to Port of Embarkation, Seattle, Washington effective January 20, 1943.

1. Concurrently with the above action these units are placed under the control of the Commanding General, Services of Supply (Commanding General, Port of Embarkation, Seattle Washington) for organizing, equipping and training for overseas service.

2. Personnel for the organization of these units will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces upon call of the Commanding General, Services of Supply (Commanding General, Port of Embarkation, Seattle, Washington).

3. Upon completion of training, these units will be returned to the control of the Army Air Forces (Air Service Command) for shipment to overseas destinations.

4. A report will be submitted without delay by the Commanding General, Air Service Command and Commanding General, Services of Supply to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAG - Publications Section) 20 copies and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Confirmation of transfer of these units.
b. Date of completion of organization and training of these units.
c. Date units are returned to the control of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Air Service Command).

5. Army Air Forces Regulation #15-127, April 28, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Ohio
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Commanding General, Port of Embarkation, Seattle, Washington
Quartermaster General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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By Capt Blackburn

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrence:
Commanding General, Services of Supply
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action requested by AFRBS due to the lack of facilities for training this type unit in the Army Air Forces. This action has been informally concurred in by The Commanding General, Services of Supply (Brigadier General Robert H. Rylie, Colonel Du Vall C. Watkins, Lt. Colonel Donald B. Parr, Colonel William F. Blair and Major Frank B. Crider).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Companies Wing

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Fourth Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof on January 10, 1943 at Camp Pinedale, California:

Unit	Priority Rating	Date to be Prepared for Overseas Service
324th Signal Co Wing	C-1-1167	June 30,1943
326th Signal Co Wing	C-1-1168	June 30,1943
332nd Signal Co Wing	C-1-1169	June 30,1943
333rd Signal Co Wing	C-1-1170	June 30,1943
334th Signal Co Wing	C-1-1171	June 30,1943

1. These units are assigned to the Fourth Air Force for activation, training, and equipping for overseas service.

2. These units will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 11-247, dated July 1, 1942 with an authorized strength of three (3) officers and eighty-six (86) enlisted men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication.

3. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11.

4. Cadre personnel will be furnished from sources under the control of the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force without reduction in authorized strength of source units.

5. Filler personnel will be secured from personnel supplied to the Air Forces by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

6. Filler commissioned personnel will be furnished by requisition on The Adjutant General through the Commanding General, Army Air Forces subject to existing priorities and availability of officers.

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7. These units will be activated at cadre strength on January 10, 1943, brought to 25 per cent of T/O strength by February 10, 1943, 50 per cent of T/O strength by March 10, 1943, 100 per cent of T/O strength by April 9, 1943 and begin operational training on April 11, 1943.

8. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (AFMSG - Publications Section) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Unit activated
b. Dates of activation
c. Source of cadre
d. Size of cadre

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

10. Army Air Forces Regulation #15-127, April 28, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces program for Signal Companies Wing. Three of these units are being activated in order to provide Signal Companies Wing for duty with Air Defense Wings. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Informal concurrence of OPD, Col. Fisher, on activation of units in the Fourth Air Force. Priority Ratings for controlled items of equipment furnished by Major Rumsdage of AFRSM. Reference to R&R AFSSC to AFSPS, subject: "Activation of Signal Corps Units with the Army Air Forces" dated December 26, 1942, requesting this action.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of 419th Signal Company Aviation

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 419th Signal Company Aviation be redesignated as the 419th Signal Company, Air Force. The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area will reorganize this unit in accordance with Table of Organization 11-267, dated March 14, 1942 with an authorized strength of seven (7) officers and two hundred seven (207) enlisted men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication.

1. This unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11, dated August 1, 1942 and will be supplied the same organizational equipment as a Signal Company Aviation until such time as a Table of Equipment for this type unit is published.

2. Personnel and equipment to effect reorganization will be furnished from sources under the control of the Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area.

3. A report will be submitted by the Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, and The Adjutant General, giving the following information:

a. Confirmation of redesignation
b. Date of reorganization

4. Army Air Forces Regulation #15-127, April 28, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action directed by the Chief of Staff in a Memorandum to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, dated December 24, 1942, File GPD 370.5 Aus. (8-24-42) subject: "Priorities of Troop Movements to Australia". This action concurred in by the Director of Communications, Major Rittmer including T/O and T/BA information. Colonel Lowe of AFHQ states that the Table of Organization 11-267 will be removed from the obsolete status as of December 28. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. The Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area has been informed by radio of action to be taken and proper designation of reorganized unit as directed by the Chief of Staff. The above action is necessary to provide additional personnel for this unit in order to handle unusual volume of radio communications in the Hq of the Fifth Air Force.

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, OPERATIONS DIVISION,
WAR DEPARTMENT GENERAL STAFF.

Subject: Shipment of Detachment 17th Airways Communications Squadron.

1. The unit listed below will be available for shipment to Prestwick, Scotland, on or about 10 January 1943:

Unit	Strength Off	WO	EM	Responsible Agency
Det 17th Airways Communications Sq Regional (T/O 1-447)(Now at Bolling Field, D.C.)	0	0	26	AAF

2. A directive is requested to provide for movement of the above detachment on or about 10 January 1943.

3. In addition to necessary equipment for the above men, it is desired that 150 tons of radio equipment requiring 17,000 cubic feet of space and 547 tons of other equipment requiring 31,611 cubic feet of space be shipped with this detachment if possible.

4. It is further requested that arrangements be made to include this movement with the movement of five (5) officers and thirty-eight (38) enlisted men of the Signal Corps who are stationed at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey. These officers and men are covered in Movement Orders Nos. 8569 and 8569TT.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation and Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted and activated immediately and assigned to the Headquarters, Army Air Forces:

Unit	Station	Activated by	To Include Area
Northwest Airways Communications Area Headquarters	Seattle, Wash.	16th Airways Communication Squadron	11th and 16th Airways Communications Region
Pacific Airways Communications Area Headquarters	Hickam Field, Hawaii	7th Airways Communication Squadron	6th, 7th and 20th Airways Communications Region
African Airways Communications Area Headquarters	Accra, Gold Coast, Africa	13th Airways Communication Squadron	13th, 14th, 18th and 19th Airways Communications Region
Caribbean Airways Communications Area Headquarters	Miami, Florida	9th Airways Communication Squadron	6th, 9th and 12th Airways Communications Region
Northeast Airways Communications Area Headquarters	Army Air Base, Presque Isle, Maine	8th Airways Communication Squadron	8th, 15th and 17th Airways Communications Region

1. These units will be organized in accordance with Manning Table #1-3004, no date, with an authorized strength of three officers and twelve enlisted men.

2. Personnel for these units will be furnished from the Airways Communication Squadrons as directed by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Communications).

3. A special list of equipment will be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Communications - 2 copies

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only) and submitted to the Director of Base Services. Equipment in the special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing personnel.
c. Date of activation.

5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-177, April 28, 15-128, May 8, 15-107, June 8, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following units be relieved from their present assignments and reassigned as indicated:

Unit	Old Assignment	New Assignment
8th Airways Communication Squadron	Fifth Air Force	Hq. Army Air Forces
9th Airways Communication Squadron	Sixth Air Force	Hq. Army Air Forces
7th Airways Communication Squadron	Seventh Air Force	Hq. Army Air Forces
10th Airways Communication Squadron	Tenth Air Force	Hq. Army Air Forces
11th Airways Communication Squadron	Eleventh Air Force	Hq. Army Air Forces
18th Airways Communication Squadron	Twelfth Air Force	Hq. Army Air Forces

III. That the following be notified of this action:
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Communications)
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
Commanding General, United States Army Forces in India, China and Burma
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Alaskan Defense Command
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force

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Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
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Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Army Regulations 95-200, dated November 18, 1942 and Army Air Forces regulations 100-2, dated November 30, 1942 which states that the operations of the Army Airways Communications system will be under the immediate supervision and direction of the Director of Communications who will designate an Army Airways Communications control officer to assist him in performing these duties and in co-ordinating of matters pertaining to the communications areas and regions. Area communications control officers and regional communications control officers in charge of all regions not part of an area are responsible to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and direct correspondence and communications to the Headquarters, Army Air Forces are authorized. Airways communication squadrons are under the command of the regional communication control officer in whose region they are assigned. The newly activated units are necessary for the purpose of unifying and co-ordinating the supervision and control of the Army Airways Communications system, facilities and services of two or more regions within one area of operations. This action was requested by the Director of Communications, December 17, 1942.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Quartermaster Platoons, Transportation, Air Base.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the*1018th Quartermaster Platoon, Transportation, Air Base, be constituted, assigned to the Third Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Drew Field, Tampa, Florida from surplus personnel under his control at that station.

1. Priority rating for controlled items will be C-1-1164.

II. That the*1019th and*1020th Quartermaster Platoons, Transportation, Air Base be constituted, assigned to the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Orlando Air Base, Orlando, Florida.

1. Filler personnel will be requisitioned from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

2. Priority rating for controlled items will be A-7(a)212.

III. Manning Table attached to letter AG 320.2 (10-23-42) dated October 24, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of these Platoons. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

1. These activations will affect no reduction of grade of any individual concerned. Transfers will be made in grade.

2. A report will be submitted without delay by the commanders concerned to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General by letter giving the following information:

a. Date of activation.
b. Source of cadre.
c. Size of cadre.

3. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as

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specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

4. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, April 28, 1942, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Quartermaster General
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. GOOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R, AFRBS to AFDPU, subject: Quartermaster Platoon, Transportation, Air Base" and R&R, AFRBM to AFDPU, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Two Additional QM Platoons, Transportation, Air Base for A.F School of Applied Tactics, Orlando, Florida". The specific reason for the above action being taken is to add another QM Plat Transportation, Air Base to the present organization now located at Drew Field, Tampa, Florida; because sufficient civilian personnel for the operation of administrative vehicles at Drew Field cannot be obtained; further, to provide two (2) QM Platoons, Transportation, Air Base to operate administrative vehicles (215) for the School of Applied Tactics. This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces Expansion Program and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the 42nd Troop Carrier Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 42nd Troop Carrier Squadron be re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization #1-317 (less glider section, Column 13), dated July 1, 1942; specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Operations Division, W.D.G.S. directive, OPD 320.2 ADC (12-18-42), Subject "Re-Organization of the 42nd Troop Carrier Squadron, dated December 22, 1942.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of the 65th Service Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 65th Service Squadron be relieved from its present assignment and re-assigned to the 6th Service Group.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. O.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with radio #2288, dated December 5, 1942, signed "Marshall", which stated that the assignment of this Squadron to the 6th Service Group was approved and that AG orders would be issued.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be re-organized immediately in accordance with the attached tentative tables of organization:

Hq & Hq Sq, 18th Ferrying Group
65th Ferrying Squadron
66th Ferrying Squadron
67th Ferrying Squadron

Hq & Hq Sq, 19th Ferrying Group
38th Ferrying Squadron
39th Ferrying Squadron
40th Ferrying Squadron

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, West Coast Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Re-Organization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a conference between Colonel Silvertherne (OPD), Major Trevito (ATC), and Major Catley (AFPFU), December 8, 1942 and is necessary since these Squadrons are scheduled for movement overseas in the near future and personnel now authorized under the present tables of organization are not required.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Signal Battalions, Construction, Aviation.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 426th and 427th Signal Battalions, Construction, Avn be redesignated as the 426th and 427th Signal Construction Battalions, Avn and reorganized under Table of Organization #11-225, dated July 1, 1942.

1. The authorized strength of these units will be seventeen (17) officers, one (1) warrant officer, and four hundred seven (407) enlisted men, including three (3) officers and eleven (11) enlisted men attached medical.

2. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11, dated August 1, 1942.

3. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Director of Personnel).

4. No individual will be reduced in grade as a result of this reorganization. Transfers will be made in grade.

5. Filler personnel will be requisitioned from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

6. A report will be submitted by the Commanding Generals, Second and Fourth Air Forces to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General confirming redesignation and giving the date of reorganization of these units.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, April 28, 1942, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force

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Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R, AFTSC to AFDPU, subject: "Table of Organization for the 426th Signal Battalion, Construction, Aviation", dated December 24, 1942, and is taken to reorganize these units under the latest Table of Organization. This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces Expansion Program and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Table of Basic Allowances furnished by Captain Adams of AFTSC. Reorganization of the 426th Signal Construction Battalion, Aviation has been informally coordinated with Colonel Fisher of OPD, due to this unit being in the Fourth Air Force for training.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated and re-organized as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation	Re-organized under T/O
Hq. 20th Fighter Gp	Hq. 20th Fighter Gp (Twin Engine)	No change
55th Fighter Sq	55th Fighter Sq (Twin Engine)	1-37, July 1, 1942
77th Fighter Sq	77th Fighter Sq (Twin Engine)	1-37, July 1, 1942
79th Fighter Sq	79th Fighter Sq (Twin Engine)	1-37, July 1, 1942

1. The table of organization listed above will be used as guide in the re-organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, Dec. 14, 1942 and is necessary due to the increased P-38 production.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Signal Corps Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be reorganized without change of station as indicated, on January 1, 1943:

Unit to be Reorganized	T/O	Authorized Strength Off	WO	EM
4th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
7th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
9th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
10th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
19th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
22nd Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
26th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
28th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
29th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
39th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
50th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
59th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
63rd Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
64th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97

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66th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
67th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
70th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
71st Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
74th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
75th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
76th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
77th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
79th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
80th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
81st Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
85th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
86th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
87th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
88th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
89th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
90th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
91st Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
92nd Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
*1000th Sig Co, Serv Gp	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
93rd Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
94th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
95th Sig Co, Serv Group	11-237, Nov 1, 1942	3	-	97
906th Sig Co Depot (Avn)	11-287, Nov 1, 1942	7	3	216
909th Sig Co Depot (Avn)	11-287, Nov 1, 1942	7	3	216

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Unit to be Re-organized	T/O	Authorized Strength OFF	WO	EM
914th Sig Co Depot (Avn)	11-287, Nov 1, 1942	7	3	216
901st Sig Depot Co (Avn)	11-287, Nov 1, 1942	7	3	216
902nd Sig Depot Co (Avn)	11-287, Nov 1, 1942	7	3	216
898th Sig Depot Co (Avn)	11-287, Nov 1, 1942	7	3	216
899th Sig Depot Co (Avn)	11-287, Nov 1, 1942	7	3	216
900th Sig Depot Co (Avn)	11-287, Nov 1, 1942	7	3	216

1. Filler personnel will be requisitioned from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces as required.

2. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Air Service Command to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Division - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of reorganization of these units.

3. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, April 28, 1942, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Ohio
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action requested by Director of Communications in R&R, AFTSC to AFDPU, dated December 12, 1942, subject: "Reorganization of Certain Signal Corps Units with the Army Air Forces" which requested the reorganization of all units of this type now activated. A checkup with OPD, and further coordination with Director of Communications (Captain Bittner) indicates that it is not desirable to reorganize units now overseas under movement orders or warning orders. All units requested other than these, have been ordered reorganized in this directive. Table of Organization Section of AFRDM (Captain Ludeking) affirms publication by The Adjutant General of subject T/O's. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This action has been coordinated with OPD by Lieutenant Colonel Chman of Task Force Section of AFDPU.

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Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

OPD, W.D.G.S.

For necessary action

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Above subject.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be relieved from assignment to the Seventh Air Force and re-assigned to the Thirteenth Air Force, effective December 1, 1942:

Hq & Hq Sq, 11th Bombardment Gp (Hy)
26th Bombardment Sq (Hy)
42nd Bombardment Sq (Hy)
98th Bombardment Sq (Hy)
43rd Bombardment Sq (Hy)

Hq & Hq Sq, 5th Bombardment Gp (Hy)
23rd Bombardment Sq (Hy)
31st Bombardment Sq (Hy)
72nd Bombardment Sq (Hy)
394th Bombardment Sq (Hy)

12th Fighter Sq

44th Fighter Sq

482nd Ordnance Company, Aviation (Bomb)

897th Chemical Company, Air Operations.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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Memorandum for the Adjutant General

Subject: Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: In message 141928 NCR 8213 Geninah advised Cinepac that Cinepac had authority to transfer all Army and Navy Air Organizations in Central and South Pacific Areas at his discretion. Message No. CM-IN 10009 (11-23-42) McCal No. 1414 Comgenpac states that transfer of administrative control of the 11th and 5th Bomb Gps from Hawaii to Comgenpac was considered necessary. Message CM-IN 9897 (11-23-42) War Dept Re. 4480 Gen. Emmons stated a similar request in that clarification of status 44th and 12th Fighter Squadrons was desired and requesting W.D. desires concerning the administrative control of units of the 7th Air Force which are now in the SoPac Area. The matter was coordinated by OPD (Col. Lane) with Navy Department (Capt. Robbins and Admiral Ballenger). Secret radio of message 141928 NCR 8213 was then dispatched by OPD, concurred in informally by the Deputy Chief of Air Staff, General Hanley. Air Force units listed above had previously been physically transferred to the South Pacific Area, but the Administrative Control and the Records of these units remained in the Hawaiian Department. In message 141928 NCR 8213, the Commanding General, Hawaiian Department, was authorized to transfer the Records and Administrative Control of units transferred from the Hawaiian Department to the South Pacific Area. This radio authorized the CG, Hawaii, to settle the matter locally with Comgenpac and inform the War Department of the units transferred. In message No. CM-IN 10009 (11-23-42) McCal No. 1414, CG, Hawaii, reports that he has transferred the units mentioned above to CG, Sopac as of December 1. The above action directing TAG to issue necessary confirmatory orders insures that all interested War Department agencies are informed of the above transfers, and concurrently corrects the War Department station lists. Message CM-IN 1788 (12-4-42) Hawaiian Department #4705 stated that these units have been dropped from the records of the Seventh AF and transferred to the South Pacific, OPD (Col. Rodieck) has concurred informally in this action.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 20th Airways Communication Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 20th Airways Communication Squadron be constituted, activated immediately by the Commanding General, South Pacific Area with headquarters at Noumea, New Caledonia and assigned to the Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

1. Table of Organization #1-447, August 15, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The 20th Airways Communication Region will include the area bounded by meridians of longitude 155° east and 175° west and on the south by parallel of latitude 30° south and on the north by a diagonal line joining the points 155° east longitude and 18° north latitude and 175° west longitude and 30° south latitude.

3. Immediately upon activation, personnel of the 7th Airways Communication Squadron now stationed in the 20th Airways Communication Region will be transferred to this unit. The source unit will be reduced in authorized strength as follows:

Communications	M/Sgt	T/Sgt	S/Sgt	Sgt	Cpl	Pfc	Pvt	Total
A (3)	3	3	18	18	3	6	15	66
B (5)		10	10	15	10		5	50
C (1)		1	3	3			2	9
Operate Section								
Class II (6)		12	36					48
Total	3	26	67	36	13	6	22	173

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4. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

5. In addition to the Squadron Headquarters, this unit will consist of the following type stations:

Communications
Type A 8
Type B 9
Type X 1
Crypto Section
Class I 2
Class II 8

6. A special list of equipment will be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Communications, 2 copies only) and submitted to the Director of Base Services. Equipment in the special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner and shipped to the unit at station of activation.

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFHAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Personnel transferred from the 7th Airways Communication Squadron.
c. Date of activation.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 25, 1942.

9. Army Air Forces regulations #15-127, April 28, #15-128, May 8, #15-107, June 8, 1942, and technical order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Communications)
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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Constitution and Activation of the 20th Airways Communication Squadron

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN H. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with requests from the Commanding General, South Pacific Area by radiogram #1626, December 4, 1942, Director of Communications, December 19, 1942 and approved by the Chief of Air Staff. This unit is necessary in order to furnish communications service to the South Pacific Area. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Formation of Troop Carrier Squadron Glider Echelons (Provisional).

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be formed at Bowman Field, Kentucky for foreign service by the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command, and assigned to the 315th Troop Carrier Group:

Unit	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
34th Troop Carrier Squadron Glider Echelon (Provisional)	A-4(a)-78
43rd Troop Carrier Squadron Glider Echelon (Provisional)	A-4(a)-79

1. These units will consist of such glider personnel as listed for a Troop Carrier Squadron (Column 13, Table of Organization #1-317, dated July 1, 1942, less thirteen privates (chauffeurs).

2. Cadre personnel will be furnished from units under the control of the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command.

3. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. Upon arrival at their destination overseas, these units will be disbanded; all personnel and equipment will be absorbed in the 315th Troop Carrier Group.

5. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Air Support) will be informed of the estimated date that these echelons will be sufficiently trained to join the 315th Troop Carrier Group (when this date can be determined).

6. Equipment for these units will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942.

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7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

9. Army Air Forces regulations #15-127, April 28, #15-128, May 8, #15-107, June 8, 1942, and technical order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Support, dated December 17, 1942. Forty-one CG-4A gliders are currently being shipped for these Squadrons. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

FEB 17 1943

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Quartermaster Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (12-26-42) OB-I-AF-M, dated December 29, 1942 be amended as follows:

Delete all reference to the 614th QM Platoon Truck (Avn) (Separate) and the 2477th QM Truck Company, Aviation.

II. That the following be notified of this action.

Same as original letter.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with directive from OPD, WDGS, File OPD 320.2 CDC (12-29-42) dated February 8, 1943. This action necessary in order that approved Troop Basis of the Caribbean Defense Command will not be exceeded.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Quartermaster Units with the Army Air Forces

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2(12-26-42)OB-I-AF-M, dated December 29, 1942, subject as above, be amended as follows:

Add the following paragraph:

"Units under movement orders as of the date of this letter will be reorganized upon arrival at destination."

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Same as original letter
Commanding General, New York Port of Embarkation.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action per verbal request of Col. Provost and Col. Burgess as it will not be practicable to reorganize GM Truck Platoons Avn Sep that were under movement orders on date of reorganization letter.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

DEC 26 1942

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Quartermaster Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following Quartermaster units be redesignated and reorganized on January 1, 1943 without change of station or assignment:

Old Designation	New Designation
807th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2469th QM Truck Co, Aviation
808th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2470th QM Truck Co, Aviation
720th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2471st QM Truck Co, Aviation
810th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2472nd QM Truck Co, Aviation
722nd QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2473rd QM Truck Co, Aviation
723rd QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2474th QM Truck Co Aviation
724th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2475th QM Truck Co, Aviation
813th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2476th QM Truck Co, Aviation
814th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2477th QM Truck Co, Aviation
726th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2478th QM Truck Co, Aviation
815th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2479th QM Truck Co, Aviation
727th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2480th QM Truck Co, Aviation
816th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2481st QM Truck Co, Aviation
728th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2482nd QM Truck Co, Aviation
818th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2483rd QM Truck Co, Aviation
730th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2484th QM Truck Co, Aviation

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Old Designation	New Designation
619th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2485th QM Truck Co, Aviation
731st QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2486th QM Truck Co, Aviation
820th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2487th QM Truck Co, Aviation
735th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2488th QM Truck Co, Aviation
736th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2489th QM Truck Co, Aviation
890th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2490th QM Truck Co, Aviation
737th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2491st QM Truck Co, Aviation
851st QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2492nd QM Truck Co, Aviation
738th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2493rd QM Truck Co, Aviation
653rd QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2494th QM Truck Co, Aviation
740th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2495th QM Truck Co, Aviation
854th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2496th QM Truck Co, Aviation
799th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2497th QM Truck Co, aviation
2498th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2498th QM Truck Co, Aviation
2499th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2499th QM Truck Co, Aviation
2500th QM Flat Truck (Avn)(Sep)	2500th QM Truck Co, Aviation

These units will be reorganized in accordance with Table of Organization 10-517, dated July 1, 1942 with an authorized strength of three (3) officers and ninety-nine (99) enlisted men. Table of Basic Allowances #10 will be used for equipping these units.

1. Filler personnel will be requisitioned from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

2. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Division) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General, without delay, giving the following information:

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a. Confirmation of redesignation
b. Date of reorganization.

3. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

4. Army Air Forces Regulation #15-127, April 28, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Field Services, Air Service Command, Patterson Fld, Ohio
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Quartermaster General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. O. F. Louis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request contained in R& R AFRES to AFRON, dated November 27, 1942, subject: "Inactivation and Redesignation of Certain Quartermaster Units". This action is in accordance with present Army Air Forces Expansion Program and will be accomplished within the authorized strength. Changes in memorandum were concurred in by OPD and G-3, WDGS, reference Disposition Forms dated Dec. 11 and Dec. 14 respectively, subject same as Memorandum to TAG. This memorandum should be substituted for the original Memorandum to TAG.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Hq & Hq Sq, Air Defense Regions.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the commander indicated:

Unit	Station	Activated by CG and Assigned to	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq & Hq Sq, Albany Air Defense Region	Albany, N. Y.	First Air Force	C-1-1134
Hq & Hq Sq, Buffalo Air Defense Region	Buffalo, N. Y.	First Air Force	C-1-1135
Hq & Hq Sq, Wilmington Air Defense Region	Wilmington, N. C.	First Air Force	C-1-1136
Hq & Hq Sq, Charleston Air Defense Region	Charleston, S. C.	First Air Force	C-1-1137
Hq & Hq Sq, Jacksonville Air Defense Region	Jacksonville, Florida	First Air Force	C-1-1138
Hq & Hq Sq, Miami Air Defense Region	Miami, Fla.	First Air Force	C-1-1139
Hq & Hq Sq, Mobile Air Defense Region	Mobile, Ala.	Third Air Force	C-1-1140
Hq & Hq Sq, New Orleans Air Defense Region	New Orleans, Louisiana	Third Air Force	C-1-1141
Hq & Hq Sq, Houston Air Defense Region	Houston, Texas	Third Air Force	C-1-1142
Hq & Hq Sq, San Antonio Air Defense Region	San Antonio, Texas	Third Air Force	C-1-1143

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Unit	Station	Activated by GO and Assigned to	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq & Hq Sq, Portland Air Defense Region	Portland, Ore.	Fourth Air Force	C-1-1144

1. Manning Table #1-3550, dated November 26, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Cadre personnel will be taken from units under the control of the commander concerned.

3. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

6. Army Air Forces regulations #15-127, April 28, #15-128, May 6, #15-107, June 8, 1942, and technical order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Hq & Hq Sq, Air Defense Regions.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, December 14, 1942. These units are a new type of organization designed to take the place of Air Defense Wings where an organization of the strength of an Air Defense Wing is not required. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL : DEC 26 1942

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (6-12-42) MR-M-AF, dated June 23, 1942, subject as above be revoked.

II. That the following be notified of this action.
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Chief of Engineers

Same as original letter.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN H. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General

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Concurrence:
Assistant Chief of Staff
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Reference to letters from TAG dated 11-21-42 subject: "Report on Activation of New Units" and Indorsements thereto from the Caribbean Defense Command. These units are not desired by the Caribbean Defense Command due to the Troop limitation for the Caribbean Theater. Reference RAR (2) AFRBS to AFDPU, dated 12-16-42 concurring in the above action.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Corps Units with the Army Air Forces

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted and assigned to the Fourth Air Force:

Unit	Station of Activation	Priority Rating
387th Signal Co, Avn	Pinedale Camp, Calif	C-1-1120
421st Signal Co, Avn	Pinedale Camp, Calif	C-1-1121
424th Signal Co, Avn	Pinedale Camp, Calif	C-1-1122

1. These units will be activated by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force from personnel sources under his control and prepared for overseas service as follows: Activate January 1, 1943 at cadre strength; bring to 25 per cent strength by January 31, 1943; bring to 50 per cent strength by February 28, 1943; bring to 100 per cent Table of Organization strength by March 24, 1943; begin O.T.U. training April 1, 1943.

II. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Present Designation	New Designation	New Authorized Strength Off	EM
386th Signal Co, Aviation (less Radio Intelligence Plat)	386th Signal Co, Avn	6	175
393rd Signal Co, Aviation (less Radio Intelligence Plat)	393rd Signal Co, Avn	6	175

III. Table of Organization 11-217, dated May 19, 1942 will be used as a guide for the organization of all units listed above. Authorized strength of these units will be six (6) officers and one hundred seventy five (175) enlisted men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication by the Commanding General, Army

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization #1-880-1, dated November 26, 1942. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication:

Hq & Hq Sq, Boston Air Defense Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, New York Air Defense Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, Philadelphia Air Defense Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, Norfolk Air Defense Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, Seattle Air Defense Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, San Francisco Air Defense Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, Los Angeles Air Defense Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, San Diego Air Defense Wing.

1. Additional personnel required will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Re-Organization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, December 14, 1942. Additional personnel required will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Reorganization, and Disbandment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 1st Composite Squadron be reorganized in accordance with Table of Organization #1-777S dated November 1, 1942. The authorized strength of this unit will be fifty (50) officers and two hundred fifty-seven (257) enlisted men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Personnel).

1. Concurrently with the above action, the 1079th Ordnance Company Aviation Air Base (Rd) (formerly the 806th Ordnance Company Aviation Air Base (Rd) consisting of one (1) officer and twenty-three (23) enlisted men will be disbanded and absorbed in the Ordnance section of the 1st Composite Squadron as shown in Table of Organization #1-777S. Personnel transfers will be without loss of grade.

II. That the Air Base Detachment in the Ascension Islands be redesignated as the 1st Air Base Detachment and be reorganized in accordance with Manning Table #1-3425-S, dated November 1, 1942 with an authorized strength of thirteen (13) officers and one hundred sixteen (116) enlisted men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Personnel).

1. The 190th Chemical Platoon Airdrome (Rd) consisting of four (4) enlisted men will be disbanded and the personnel and equipment will be absorbed in the Chemical section of the 1st Air Base Detachment as shown in Manning Table #1-3425-S. Personnel transfers will be without loss of grade.

2. The 223rd Quartermaster Company Service Group Aviation (Rd) consisting of one (1) officer and ten (10) enlisted men will be disbanded and absorbed in the Quartermaster Section of the 1st Air Base Detachment in accordance with Manning Table #1-3425-S. Personnel transfers will be without loss of grade.

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III. Excess personnel and equipment will be absorbed in other units as desired by the commander concerned.

1. A report will be submitted by the Commanding Officer of the U. S. Army Forces of the Ascension Islands giving the following information:

a. Confirmation of redesignation of 1st Air Base Detachment.
b. Dates of reorganization of units reorganized.
c. Units disbanded.
d. Amount of personnel transferred from disbanded units to other units.

2. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, April 28, 1942, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces in Ascension Islands
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Chemical Warfare Service
Quartermaster General
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCES:

Assistant Chief of Staff, OPD, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R from AFHQM, dated November 24, 1942, subject: "T/O AAF Detachment, Air Base (Special), T/O AAF Squadron, Composite (Special". This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Table of Organization and Manning Table furnished with this R&R. Major Crittenden, OPD, has informally coordinated in the above action.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crews Aviation.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted and activated by the Commanding General, Air Service Command:

Unit	Station of Activation	Date to be Activated
1535th Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crew Avn	AAB New Orleans, La.	December 20, 1942
1536th Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crew Avn	AAB New Orleans, La	December 20, 1942
1537th Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crew Avn	AAB New Orleans, La	December 20, 1942
1538th Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crew Avn	AAB New Orleans, La	December 20, 1942

1. Personnel for the activation of these units will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Military Personnel).

2. The Commanding General, Air Service Command will be responsible for Manning, equipping and preparing these units for immediate sea duty.

3. These units will be organized in accordance with attached Manning Table, Inclosure #1, including Columns 3 and 4. Specific authorized enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Personnel).

4. Equipment will be furnished in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #21, plus Inclosure #2. Priority ratings for controlled items of equipment will be A-2.

5. The Commanding General, Air Service Command will report without delay by letter to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG-

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Publications Division) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Date of activation of units listed above.
b. Sources of personnel.

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

7. Army Air Forces Regulation #15-127, April 28, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Field Services, Air Service Command, Patterson Fld, Ohio (4 copies) (Air Mail)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Quartermaster General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Patuxent Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is taken in order to supply two sea going boat crews to deliver two 104' Seagoing Rescue Boats from Seattle to Alaska. See Radiogram #665, dated December 11, 1942 and R&R Serial #1 AFRBS to AFDPU dated December 14, 1942, subject: "Activation of Crews for 104' Seagoing Rescue Boats and also R&R AFRBS to AFDPU , dated December 11, 1942, subject: "Activation of Crews for 104' Seagoing Rescue Boats P-114, P-115, P-214, P215." According to this R&R two boats are to be at the P. of E. December 20, 1942, one on January 15, 1943, and one on February 15, 1943. These units are for assignment to the Eleventh Air Force. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This action has the informal concurrence of OPD, Col. Fisher. This Memorandum classified 'Secret' because of Memorandum for Record;directive should be 'Confidential'.

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MANNING TABLE

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40' Seagoing Rescue Boat on Trans-Oceanic Mission

No.		2 Operating Crew	3 Ferrying Crew	4 Total Crew on Trans-oceanic Trip
1.	1st Lieut., Master (118)		1	1
2.	2nd Lieut., 1st Mate (119)	1		1
3.	2nd Lieut., Chief Engineer (080)		1	1
4.	Total Commissioned Officers (1)	1	2	3
5.	Warrant Officers, Including (2)			
6.	2nd Mate (119)	1		1
7.	1st Asst. Engineer (080)	1		1
8.	2nd Asst. Engineer (080)	1		1
9.	Total Warrant Officers	3		3
10.	S/Sgt., Radio Op. Highspeed (766)	1		1
11.	Sgts., Including			
12.	Surgical Technician (861)	1		1
13.	Oilers and Engine Repairmen (141 & 013)	1	2	3
14.	Boatswain (065)	1		1
15.	Corporal			
16.	Cook (060)	1		1
17.	Privates, first class) including			
18.	Privates			
19.	Deckhands (AB) (065)	2	1	3
20.	Total Enlisted Men	7	3	10
21.	Aggregate	11	5	16

REMARKS

(1) If properly qualified commissioned officers are not immediately available for the positions of Master and Chief Engineer, qualified Warrant Officers may be appointed to these positions, pending the processing of the necessary papers to commission the.

(2) If properly qualified Warrant Officers are not immediately available for the positions listed for Warrant Officers, qualified M/Sgts may be assigned to these positions, pending the processing of the necessary papers appointing them Warrant Officers.

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List of special clothing and equipment to be issued C.H. Rescue Boat Crew Avn.

1. Chemical Warfare equipment

Mask, gas, service	ea.	1 per Individual

2. Quartermaster clothing and equipment

Boots, rubber, hip	pr.	1 per deckhand
Coat, Oil skin	ea.	1 per W.O. and E.M.
Gloves, leather, heavy	pr.	1 per [illegible] E.M.
Goggles, M 1942 or M 1943	pr.	1 per E.M.
Hat, oil skin	ea.	1 per W.O. and E.M.
Hat, rain	ea.	6 per 104' Rescue Boat
Helmet, steel, M1	ea.	1 per Individual
Jacket, rain	ea.	6 per 104' Rescue Boat
Mittens, horsehide, Lambskin lined	pr.	1 per E.M.
Muffler, wool, O.D.	ea.	1 per W.O. and E.M.
Overcoat, parka type	ea.	1 per Individual
Overshoes, arctic	pr.	1 per Individual
Togue, wool knit, M 1941	ea.	6 per 104' Rescue Boat
Trousers, Oil skin	ea.	1 per W.O. and E.M.
Trousers, rain	ea.	6 per 104' Rescue Boat

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of the 394th Base Hq and Air Base Squadron (Reduced).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 394th Base Hq and Air Base Squadron (Reduced) be redesignated as the 394th Base Hq and Air Base Squadron and re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization #1-422, dated September 1, 1942.

1. This action does not authorize any change of station or assignment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding Officer, Army Air Base, Baltimore, Maryland
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with requests from the Commanding General, First Air Force, December 4, 1942 and the Director of Base Services, December 8, 1942 and is necessary for the efficient operation of this Base. Additional personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated and re-organized as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation	Manning Table
Air Base Detachment, Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland	2nd Proving Ground Det	1-3894, Nov 1, 1942
AAF Detachment, Jefferson Proving Ground, Indiana	3rd Proving Ground Det	1-3892, Nov 1, 1942
AAF Detachment, Southwestern Proving Ground, Arkansas	4th Proving Ground Det	1-3892, Nov 1, 1942

1. This action does not authorize any change of station or assignment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of War Organization and Movement)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY
Colonel, A.G.D.,
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1. This office agrees that the squadrons best prepared to fulfill the mission should be selected at the time warning orders are issued. This, in general, should be the case irrespective of the assignment of "odd" squadrons for training purposes. On the other hand, the whole purpose in advance scheduling of the training program is to minimize, or eliminate altogether, the confusion, lost motion, and improvising that are inherent in any program of commitment which waits until the last minute for a decision on the particular unit to be shipped. All our planning efforts are directed to the end that strategic necessity will be the only reason for last hour revision of activation, training and commitment schedules.

2. With respect to the 61st Troop Carrier Squadron, the activation order was issued in October, approximately five months prior to the commitment date for the unit. Initial assignment of the unit to its parent group puts the group headquarters straight on the ultimate organization of the group in the theater. Moreover, by this action the training establishment here in the United States is placed on notice of the use that is to be made of the squadron. This in itself is all the more reason that the unit be trained on a schedule which leaves little reason for substitution of another squadron when the shipment date arrives.

3. It is recommended that the I Troop Carrier Command be instructed to attache the 61st Troop Carrier Squadron to the 314th Troop Carrier Group. If this recommendation is concurred in by AFRAS, this office will take necessary action to amend paragraph 4 of subject activation order to show the 61st Troop Carrier Squadron as attached to the 314th Troop Carrier Group for administration and training instead of the 10th Troop Carrier Group.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of Certain Base Hq and Air Base Squadrons (Reduced).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Present Designation	New Designation
396th Base Hq and Air Base Squadron (Reduced)	396th Base Hq and Air Base Sq
397th Base Hq and Air Base Squadron (Reduced)	397th Base Hq and Air Base Sq
400th Base Hq and Air Base Squadron (Reduced)	400th Base Hq and Air Base Sq

1. These units will be re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization #1-422, dated September 1, 1942 with an authorized strength of 55 officers, three (3) warrant officers and 367 enlisted men.

2. This action does not authorize any change in station or assignment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Western Defense Command, December 8, 1942 and directive from Operations Division, W.D.G.S., dated December 8, 1942, file OPD 320.2 WDC, (12-8-42), Subject "Re-Organization of Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron". Additional personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Disbandment of the 14th Airways Communication Squadron.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment of the 14th Airways Communication Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 14th Airways Communication Squadron be disbanded immediately. All personnel and equipment will be absorbed in other units as directed by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Communications).

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Communications)
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Africa Middle East Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. C.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Communications, December 5, 1942, and is necessary since only approximately five communications stations are to be maintained along the southern ferry route through Africa. Present plans contemplate assigning personnel at the remaining stations along this route to the 13th Airways Communication Squadron.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of the 465th Bombardment Squadron (L).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 465th Bombardment Squadron (L) be relieved from assignment to the 27th Bombardment Group (L) and re-assigned to the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commandant, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is necessary since the 27th Bombardment Group (L) less this Squadron has been prepared for overseas movement and the 465th Bombardment Squadron (L) is scheduled for duty at the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (12-18-42) OB-I-AF-M, Subject "Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units", dated December 30, 1942 be amended by showing the station of the 350th Fighter Group (Twin Engine) to be "March Field, California" instead of "Hamilton Field, California".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. O.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, as indicated in radio #4AG S 13178, dated December 30, 1942 and is necessary since March Field, California is the principal Base for activation and training of Twin Engine Fighter Groups.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, activated by, and assigned to the commanders indicated:

Unit	Station	Activated by CG and Assigned to	T/O
Hq, 358th Fighter Group	Richmond, Va.	First Air Force	1-12, July 1, 1942
365th Fighter Sq			1-27, July 1, 1942
366th Fighter Sq			1-27, July 1, 1942
367th Fighter Sq			1-27, July 1, 1942
Hq, 359th Fighter Group	Westover Field, Massachusetts	First Air Force	1-12, July 1, 1942
368th Fighter Sq			1-27, July 1, 1942
369th Fighter Sq			1-27, July 1, 1942
370th Fighter Sq			1-27, July 1, 1942
Hq, 360th Fighter Group (Twin Engine)	Hamilton Field, California	Fourth Air Force	1-12, July 1, 1942
371st Fighter Sq (Twin Engine)			1-37, July 1, 1942
372nd Fighter Sq (Twin Engine)			1-37, July 1, 1942
373rd Fighter Sq (Twin Engine)			1-37, July 1, 1942

1. Table of Organizations listed above will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. These units should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule:

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	Date of Activation	Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength and to Commence Training
Hq, 358th Fighter Group	1-1-43	2-1-43	3-1-43	4-1-43
Hq, 359th Fighter Group	1-15-43	2-15-43	3-15-43	4-15-43
Hq, 360th Fighter Group (Twin Engine)	1-15-43	2-15-43	3-15-43	4-15-43

3. Cadre personnel will be taken from units under the control of the commander concerned.

4. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

5. These units will have the following priority ratings for controlled items of equipment:

Hq, 358th Fighter Group -- C-1-1109
Hq, 359th Fighter Group -- C-1-1110
Hq, 360th Fighter Group -- C-1-1111

6. Equipment for these units will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942.

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Units activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

9. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, April 28, 1942, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Defense, December 12, 1942. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: WAR DEPARTMENT GENERAL STAFF, G-1:

Subject: Procurement of Arms and Service Officers.

1. From past experience in the procurement of Arms and Service Officers on duty with the Army Air Forces as indicated in Tab A, showing the authorized strength as of June 30, 1942, in accordance with those actually on duty as of July 16, 1942, it would seem that a considerable increase in the flow of Arms and Service Officers to the Army Air Forces must be planned in order to meet the calendar year 1943 requirement.

2. Tab B attached indicates the past flow of officers assigned to the Army Air Forces by branches for the period January 1, 1942 to July 16, 1942.

3. Information has been secured informally from the chiefs of branches, as indicated on Tab C, for the anticipated officers that these branches will be able to furnish month by month. It will be noted from this chart that shortages as of December 31 will exist for Chemical, Engineers, Finance, Judge Advocate Generals and the Signal requirements, and that as of December 31, 1943, there will still continue to be a shortage of Engineer officers. Adjutant General, Security Battalions, Military Police and Inspector General requirements have not been shown on Tab C in view of the fact that no information has been secured as to the proper flow of officers of these branches to the Army Air Forces.

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4. It is recommended that the Commanding General, Services of Supply, be contacted with this information in order to secure a confirmation of this anticipated flow of branch officers, and that adequate steps be taken in order to meet the Corps of Engineer requirements.

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ARMY AIR SERVICE OFFICERS

	AUTHORIZED--6/30/42	ON HAND--7/16/42
AAD		
AGD	91	108
CHAP	336	445
CWS	199	261
ENG	1079	873
FIS	338	285
IGD	31	14
JAGD	41	35
MIL.P.	0	48
MED	5683	4776
ORD	1280	634
QMC	2185	1615
SIG	2406	1529
TOTALS	14618	10857

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PAST FLOW BY BRANCHES

1942	JAN.1	JAN.31	FEB.28	MAR.31	APR.30	MAY 31	JUN. 30	July 16
AGD	44	2	4	10	7	14	20	2
CMAP	220	20	20	40	75	17	51	22
CWS	130	10	10	5	15	9	41	40
ENG	218	22	19	36	66	26	127	26
FIN	147	7	16	15	15	12	51	24
IGD	5	0	0	1	4	4	2	0
JAGD	27	2	2	2	6	4	7	5
MIL.T.	0	0	0	0	0	3	31	14
MED	2036	250	98	188	373	631	546	760
ORD	301	37	53	37	106	46	39	13
QMC	797	83	67	24	140	20	426	70
SIG	704	126	8	66	148	254	173	55
TOTALS	4626	539	316	419	869	1044	1515	1041

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CHART BY MONTHLY FLOW OF OFFICERS TO BE ASSIGNED TO THE ARMY AIR FORCES FOR BRANCHES AS SHOWN

	On Duty July	ANTICIPATED FLOW						Total Anticipated to be on Duty	Total Required	Short	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total Anticipated to be on Duty	Total Required	Short
		Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec																			
CHAP	465		224	90	70	70	79	1034	1034		73	66	63	75	44	44	43	44	44	43	44	43	1640	1640	
CHEM	263	85	20	40	75	100	125	646	830	184	125	125	77	66	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	44	1392	1576	184
ENGR	573	42	100	100	100	100	100	1115	2966	1851	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	3115	4966	1851
FD	285	15	87	60	60	60	60	567	643	76	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	40			1057	1697	
MAD	53		10	10	10	10	10	103	141	38	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9					179	179	
MED DEPT	4776	2409	1440	1564	1540	1440	1363	14836	13274	(962)	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000					20906	20906	
ORD	634	34	120	300	256	256	300	1699	1527	(172)	256	256	213										2682	2682	
QMC	1616	300	300	300	300	300	300	3116	4870	(1146)	300	300	300	243									4559	4559	
SIG	1589	350	400	400	400	400	400	5179	5960	181	700	400	400	400	400	400	400	207					8106	8106	
TOTAL	10098	2360	2801	3074	3216	3136	3137	28065	28535		2634	2307	2111	1844	1548	1490	1467	1453	738	827	188	187	18855	19376	
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Guard Squadrons with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Second Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General thereof with permanent station as shown:

Unit	Priority Ratings	Station	Date of Activation
1134th Guard Squadron	C-1-1103	Kearney, Nebraska	At once
1135th Guard Squadron	C-1-1104	Moses Lake, Washington	At once
1136th Guard Squadron	C-1-1105	Mountain Home, Idaho	Feb 1, 1943

1. The above units will be organized in accordance with Manning Table #1-300N, dated November 1, 1942. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication. The authorized strength of each of the above units will be four (4) officers and one hundred (100) enlisted men.

2. Cadre personnel will be furnished from sources under the control of the Commanding General, Second Air Force. Transfers will be made in grade. No reduction in authorized strength and grades of source units will be made as a result of this action.

3. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. These units have priority ratings for controlled items of equipment as shown above.

5. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Second Air Force to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Date of activation.
b. Source of cadre.
c. Size of cadre.

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6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, April 28, 1942, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Provost Marshal General
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Second Air Force as indicated in radiogram #2AF D11470, December 10, 1942.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the commanders indicated without delay:

Unit	Station	Activated by CG and Assigned to	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq, 27th Flying Training Wing	Cochran Field, Macon, Georgia	Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center	A-7(a)-217
Hq, 28th Flying Training Wing	George Field, Lawrenceville, Illinois	Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center	A-7(a)-218
Hq, 29th Flying Training Wing	Moody Field, Valdosta, Ga.	Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center	A-7(a)-219
Hq, 30th Flying Training Wing	Jackson, Miss.	Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center	A-7(a)-220
Hq, 31st Flying Training Wing	Tulsa, Okla.	Army Air Forces Gulf Coast Training Center	A-7(a)-221
Hq, 32nd Flying Training Wing	Perrin Field, Sherman, Texas	Army Air Forces Gulf Coast Training Center	A-7(a)-222
Hq, 33rd Flying Training Wing	Blackland Army Flying School, Waco, Texas	Army Air Forces Gulf Coast Training Center	A-7(a)-223
Hq, 34th Flying Training Wing	AAF Bombardier School, San Angelo, Texas	Army Air Forces Gulf Coast Training Center	A-7(a)-224

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Unit	Station	Activated by CG and Assigned to	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq. 35th Flying Training Wing	Merced, Calif.	Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center	A-7(a)-225
Hq. 36th Flying Training Wing	Ontario, Calif.	Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center	A-7(a)-226
Hq. 37th Flying Training Wing	Phoenix, Ariz.	Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center	A-7(a)-227
Hq. 38th Flying Training Wing	Roswell, New Mexico	Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center	A-7(a)-228

1. The authorized strength of each of these units will be as follows:

1 - Brigadier General
1 - Colonel (Rated Air Corps Officer)
1 - Lt. Colonel (RI Officer)
1 - 1st Lieutenant (Air Corps or RI Officer, as aide)
4 - Total

No additional [illegible] officer personnel will be assigned to these units unless specifically authorized by this Headquarters. Necessary clerical help will be civilian employees.

2. Personnel for these units will be furnished by the AAF Flying Training Command.

3. The Headquarters of these units will be permanently located on the stations of activation as indicated in Paragraph 1. Office space will be made available for the Flying Training Wing Headquarters on the station.

4. Pending revision of Paragraph 4 a (7), Army Regulations 600-20, June 1, 1942, the Flying Training Wing commanders will not assume command over stations indicated above.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of activation.

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #208, dated June 26, 1942.

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7. Army Air Forces regulations #15-127, April 28, #15-128, May 8, #15-107, June 8, 1942, and technical order #00-35-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Gulf Coast Training Center
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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George E. Stratemeyer,
Major General, U. S. A.
Chief of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command, dated December 1, 1942. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Increase in the Headquarters, 2nd Photographic Group.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Headquarters, 2nd Photographic Group be authorized an increase of an Interpretation Section.

1. The Interpretation Section will be organized in accordance with the attached manning table. Enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

2. Cadre personnel will be taken from the 2nd Photographic Group.

3. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the size of cadre and date unit is formed.

5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

6. Army Air Forces regulations #15-127, April 28, #15-128, May 8, #15-107, June 8, 1942, and technical order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Commanding Officer, 2nd Photographic Group

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Commanding Officer, Army Air Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other
interested agencies.

Encl. Manning Table

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN H. COOKER,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Photography, December 8, 1942 and has been co-ordinated with Colonel Bell (A-2). Personnel for this unit will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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INTERPRETATION SECTION

for
Headquarters Photographic Group
(When Specifically Authorized)

Captain	4
First Lieutenant	4
TOTAL COMMISSIONED	8
Staff Sergeant (890)	4
Corporal (076)	4
Private (405)	4
TOTAL ENLISTED	12
AGGREGATE	20

Coordinated: AFTSP - Colonel Kaye
AFAXI - Colonel Ball
AFPMP - Captain Gunnell
AFPPU - Lt. Colonel Nocete

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (12-15-42) OB-I-AF-M, subject: "Constitution and Activation of the Headquarters, 21st Bombardment Training Wing", December 16, 1942 be amended to show designation as Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 21st Bombardment Wing, and the Table of Organization as 1-110-1, dated August 10, 1942.

II. That the following units be redesignated and reorganized:

Old Designation	New Designation
Hq & Hq Sq 15th Bombardment Wing	Hq, 15th Bombardment Training Wing
Hq & Hq Sq 16th Bombardment Wing	Hq, 16th Bombardment Training Wing
Hq & Hq Sq 17th Bombardment Wing	Hq, 17th Bombardment Training Wing

1. Table of Organization 1-150-1S, August 15, 1942 will be used as a guide in the reorganization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance.
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with requests from Commanding General, Second Air Force by radiogram, December 27, 1942, and telephone conversation December 29, 1942, and is necessary since original plans called for the 15th, 16th, and 17th Wings to be Training Wings, however, an approved Table of Organization was not in existence at the time of the activation of these units. The 21st Wing is performing the functions formerly done by the Army Air Forces I Concentration Command in regard to heavy bombardment units.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Headquarters, 21st Bombardment Training Wing.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Headquarters, 21st Bombardment Training Wing be constituted, activated by, and assigned to the Commanding General, Second Air Force, at Salina, Kansas, immediately.

1. Table of Organization #1-1 50-18, dated August 15, 1942, will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication.

2. Cadre personnel will be taken from units under the control of the Commanding General, Second Air Force.

3. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. This unit will have an A-7(d) 1A8 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

5. Equipment for this unit will be in accordance with TBA #1, dated July 1, 1942.

6. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General, without delay, giving the following information:

a. Units activated
b. Units furnishing cadres
c. Size of cadres
d. Date of activation

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

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8. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, dated April 28, 1942, and #15-107, dated June 8, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich.(5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. DOOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Second Air Force, November 19, 1942, and the Director of Bombardment, December 3, 1942, and is necessary for the supervision of functions formerly performed by the AAF I Concentration Command in connection with final preparation of heavy bombardment groups and replacement combat crews for overseas service. Personnel for this unit will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Air Vice Marshal G. V. Walsh,
Air Member, Canadian Joint Staff,
1771 N Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Air Vice Marshal Walsh:

I have received your letter of December 1 in which you requested that my previous refusal to release data on the Air Force strength be reconsidered.

While I am anxious to make available to you and your government all possible information concerning the Army Air Forces, I regret that I must adhere to my original decision in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Sgd. H. H. Arnold

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H. H. ARNOLD,
Lieutenant General, U.S.A.,
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

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Air Vice Marshal G. V. Walsh,
Air Member, Canadian Joint Staff,
1771 N Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Air Vice Marshal Walsh:

In accordance with your letter of December 1 the release of strength figures of the Army Air Forces has been reconsidered, and I am glad to furnish the following information as of November 10, 1942:

Officers & Warrant Officers	109,178
Enlisted Men	1,331,378
Total	1,440,556

These figures include Air Forces personnel and Arms and Services personnel assigned to the Army Air Forces both in the continental United States and in overseas theaters.

Yours sincerely,

H. H. ARNOLD,
Lieutenant General, U.S.A.,
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

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In clarification of General Arnold's remarks on the basic request, General Stratemeyer directs that a diplomatic refusal be prepared for General Arnold's signature.

Incl: Ltr to Gen.Arnold frm Air Vice Marshal G.V.Walsh, Air Member Canadian Joint Staff, dtd 12-1-42 and draft of prep. reply. SECRET. Subj. as above.

WILLIAM E. HALL,
Colonel, G.S.C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crews Aviation.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letters AG 320.2 (11-23-42) OB-I-AF-M, dated November 29, 1942 and AG 320.2 (11-24-42) OB-I-AF-M, dated November 27, 1942, subject as above, be amended as follows:

Delete Inclosure #1 of each letter and substitute therefor the Manning Table attached hereto.

1. The 1525th to 1534th Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crew Aviation, inclusive, will be organized in accordance with Section of Manning Table marked "Operating Crew", Column #2.

2. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Air Service Command to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publication Division) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General without delay confirming reorganization of these units.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Same as original letters.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Assistant Chief of Staff
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The 1st and 2nd Pages of Memorandum have been rewritten. Substitute for 1st and second pages of original memorandum dated 12-8-42. Inclosure - no change

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Serial #1 R&R AFRMS to AFPEP, Subject: Revision of Manning Table - Crews for 104' Sea-Going Rescue Boats and Serial #2 from AFPEP which concurs in the grades as set up in the attached manning table. R&R indicates informal concurrence of Lt. Col. Hubbard of OPD, but formal concurrence in this change is desired. This action reduces the strength of these units from 2 officers, 6 Warrant Officers, and 16 enlisted men to a strength of 1 officers, 3 warrant officers and 7 enlisted men. Change in Paragraph I, 1. informally coordinated with Lt. Col. Hubbard of OPD, WDGS, December 15, 1942.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crews Aviation.

The Secretary of War directs

I. That letters AG 320.2 (11-23-42) OB-I-AF-M, dated November 29, 1942 and AG 320.2 (11-24-42)OB-I-AF-M, dated November 27, 1942, subject as above, be amended as follows:

Delete Inclosure #1 of each letter and substitute therefor the Manning Table attached hereto.

1. The 1525th and 1526th Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crew Aviation will be organized in accordance with Section of Manning Table marked "Operating Crew", Column #2. Columns 3 and 4 are not authorized for these two units.

2. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Air Service Command to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAC - Publication Division) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General without delay confirming reorganization of these units.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Same as original letters;

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN H. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrence:
Assistant Chief of Staff
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Serial #1 BAR AFPRS to AFPPU, Subject: Revision of Manning Table - Crews for 104' Sea-Going Rescue Boats and Serial #2 from AFPMP which concurs in the grades as set up in the attached manning table. BAR indicates informal concurrence of Lt. Col. Hubbard of OPD, but formal concurrence in this change is desired. This action reduces the strength of these units from 2 officers, 6 Warrant Officers, and 36 enlisted men to a strength of 3 officers, 3 warrant officers and 10 enlisted men except deck loaded crews #1525 and 1526 which will have a strength of 1 officer, 3 Warrant officers and 7 enlisted men.

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QUARTERMASTER RESCUE BOAT CREW (AVR) (165' Boat)

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	1	2	3	4
		Operating Crew	Ferrying Detachment (Supplemental personnel when boat is on Trans-oceanic voyage.	Total Crew for Trans-oceanic Voyage
1	1st Lieutenant - Master (116)		1	1
2	2nd Lieutenant - 1st Mate (119)	1		1
3	2nd Lieutenant - Chief Engineer (080)		1	1
4	Total Commissioned Officers (3)	1	2	3
5	Warrant Officers, Including (2)			
6	2nd Mate (119)	1		1
7	1st Assistant Engineer (080)	1		1
8	2nd Assistant Engineer (080)	1		1
9	Total Warrant Officers	3		3
10	S/Sgt., Radio Operator Highspeed (766)	1		1
11	Sergeant, Including			
12	Surgical technician (861)	1		1
13	Oilers and Engine Repairmen(141 & 013)	1	2	3
14	Boatswain (065)	1		1
15	Corporals, Including			
16	Cook	1		1
17	Private First Class }			
18	Privates } Including			
19	Boatswain (13)	2	1	3
20	Total Enlisted	7	3	10
21	Aggregate	11	5	16

REMARKS

(1) If properly qualified commissioned officers are not immediately available for the positions of Master and Chief Engineer, qualified Warrant Officers may be appointed to these positions, pending the processing of the necessary papers to commission them.

(2) If properly qualified Warrant Officers are not immediately available for the positions listed for Warrant Officers, qualified Master Sergeants may be assigned to these positions, pending the processing of the necessary papers appointing them Warrant Officers.

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Constitution and Activation of the Hq & Hq Sq, XI Bomber Command.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Hq & Hq Sq, XI Bomber Command.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, XI Bomber Command be constituted and activated immediately at Elmendorf Field, Alaska by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command, assigned to and organized within the present authorized strength of the Eleventh Air Force.

1. This unit will have an initial strength of ten officers and fifty enlisted men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. A table of organization for this unit will be submitted without delay for approval of the War Department.

3. Tables of Organization for the following will be reduced in strength in order to make personnel available for this unit:

Hq & Hq Sq, Eleventh Air Force

Hq & Hq Sq, XI Fighter Command

Hq & Hq Sq, XI Service Command

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFTAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Specific reduction in ranks and grades, by job classification, made in tables of organization for units referred to in Paragraph 3, above.

5. Army Air Forces regulations #15-127, April 28, #15-128, May 9, #15-107, June 8, 1942, and technical order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force

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Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive, Detroit, Mich.(8 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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A.G. of S., OPD ( )

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, November 8, 1942 after discussion with the various commanders of the Alaskan theater. This action is approved by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and the Chief of Air Staff, December 4, 1942. Personnel for this unit will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment of the 5th Weather Squadron (Regional Control).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 5th Weather Squadron (Regional Control) be disbanded immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Weather)
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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CONCURRENCES:
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JOHN E. COOLEY
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Weather, December 8, 1942. This Squadron was operating in the Philippine Islands and it is believed that all personnel formerly assigned have now been assigned to other weather squadrons in neighboring areas.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Constitution, and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, South Pacific Wing be redesignated as the Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, West Coast Wing.

1. This redesignation does not authorize any change of station, strength or assignment.

II. That the Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Southwest Pacific Wing be constituted, activated by, and assigned to the Air Transport Command immediately in Hawaii.

1. T/O #1-650-1, dated July 1, 1942 and Change #1, dated September 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Cadre personnel for this unit will be taken from units under the control of the Commanding General, Air Transport Command.

3. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. Equipment for this unit will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, dated July 1, 1942.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Units activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-127, April 28, 1942, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-31 will

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be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN H. COOLEY
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a directive from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces to the Commanding General, Air Transport Command to organize a new Wing to cover the Southwest Pacific Area from Hawaii to Australia. Personnel for this unit will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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In accordance with the attached disposition form, OPD 329.2 Haw (12-11-42) subject as above, dated December 12, 1942, it is requested that the designation Pacific Wing be used instead of Southwest Pacific Wing in the publication of the inclosed Memorandum for The Adjutant General.

Incl. DF as described above w/incl

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Constitution, and Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated without change of station or present assignment:

Old Designation	New Designation	Date to Be Redesignated
3rd Battalion, 922nd Engineer Regiment, Avn	852nd Engineer Avn Bn	January 1, 1943
*1st Battalion, 923rd Engineer Regiment, Avn	*859th Engineer Avn Bn	January 1, 1943
1st Battalion, 922nd Engineer Regiment, Avn	863rd Engineer Avn Bn	February 1, 1943

II. That the following units be constituted and activated as follows:

Unit	Station of Activation	Priority Rating	Source of Cadre	Activated by CG and Assigned to
853rd Engr Avn Bn Activate 1-1-43	AAB Dyersburg, Tenn.	C-1-1067	849th Engr Avn Bn	Air Service Command
854th Engr Avn Bn Activate 1-1-43	March Fld, Calif	C-1-1068	842nd Engr Avn Bn	Fourth Air Force
*855th Engr Avn Bn Activate 1-1-43	March Fld, Calif	C-1-1069	TAG	Fourth Air Force
*856th Engr Avn Bn Activate 1-1-43	March Fld, Calif	C-1-1070	TAG	Fourth Air Force

*Negro Enlisted Personnel

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Unit	Station of Activation	Priority Rating	Source of Cadre	Activated by CG and Assigned to
*858th Engr Avn Bn Activate 1-1-43	Avon Park,Fla	C-1-1071	TAG	Third Air Force
860th Engr Avn Bn Activate 1-1-43	March Fld,Calif	C-1-1072	843rd Engr Avn Bn	Fourth Air Force
877th Airborne Engr Bn Avn Activate 1-1-43	Westover Fld, Mass	C-1-1078	TAG	First Air Force (Assigned to 925th Provisional Engr Airborne Regt Avn)
938th Engr Camouflage Bn (Avn) Activate 1-1-43	Hammer Fld, Calif	C-1-1079	937th Engr Camouflage Bn (Avn)	Fourth Air Force
949th Engr Topographic Co Avn Activate 1-1-43	AAB Colorado Springs,Colo	C-1-1080	957th Engr Topographic Co Avn	CO AAB,Colorado Springs Colo.(Assigned to Hq, Engr Avn Top Training Bn (Sp)
864th Engr Avn Bn Activate 1-1-43	Geiger Fld Washington	C-1-1073	852nd Engr Bn Avn	Second Air Force (Assigned to 922nd Engr Regt Avn to replace 3rd Battalion)
*867th Engr Avn Bn Activate 1-1-43	Eglin Fld Florida	C-1-1074	*859th Engr Avn Bn	AAF Proving Ground Command(Assigned to 923rd Engr Regt Avn to replace 1st Bn)
866th Engr Avn Bn Activate 2-1-43	Geiger Fld Washington	C-1-1075	863rd Engr Avn Bn	Second Air Force (Assigned to 922nd Engr Regt Avn to replace 1st Bn)

III. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof:

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Unit	Station of Activation	Source of Personnel	Date to be Activated
861st Engr Avn Bn A-3(a) - 99	AAB Richmond, Virginia	1st Battalion, 924th Engineer Regt Avn	January 1, 1943
862nd Engr Avn Bn B-1-230	AAB Richmond, Virginia	2nd Battalion, 924th Engineer Regt Avn	February 1, 1943

1. Organization of these units will be accomplished by transfer of personnel and equipment of the battalions of the 924th Engineer Regiment Aviation indicated less an enlisted cadre in accordance with Table of Organization 5-415. Source units and activated units will requisition filler personnel immediately to bring these units to full Table of Organization strength.

2. The Engineer Aviation Battalions will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 5-415, dated April 1, 1942 with changes 1, 2 and 3 with an authorized strength of thirty-one (31) officers and seven hundred seventy-six (776) enlisted men including three (3) officers and fourteen (14) enlisted men attached medical and one (1) chaplain and one (1) Chaplain's assistant.

3. The 930th Engineer Camouflage Battalion (Aviation) will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 5-95, dated April 1, 1942 with an authorized strength of thirty (30) officers, one (1) Warrant officer and four hundred forty-five (445) enlisted men including two (2) officers and twelve (12) enlisted men attached medical.

4. The 949th Engineer Topographic Company Aviation will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 5-447, dated February 6, 1942 with an authorized strength of eight officers and one hundred forty-seven (147) enlisted men.

5. The 877th Airborne Engineer Battalion Aviation will be organized and equipped in accordance with Tentative Table of Organization and Table of Basic Allowances attached to letter AG 320.2 (11-5-42) OB-I-AF-M, dated November 6, 1942, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Airborne Engineer Battalions Aviation". This unit will be organized with an authorized strength of twenty-nine (29) officers and four hundred eighty-seven (487) enlisted men including four (4) officers and twenty-nine (29) enlisted men attached medical and one (1) Chaplain.

6. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner for source and activated units.

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7. Filler commissioned personnel will be furnished by requisition on The Adjutant General through the Commanding General, Army Air Forces as required, subject to existing priorities and availability of officers.

8. No reduction in authorized enlisted strength and grade will be made as a result of this action. Personnel will be transferred in grade.

9. Priority ratings for controlled items of equipment will be as shown above. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #5 with changes 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5th Indorsements. The Engineer Camouflage Battalion (Aviation) will be supplied the same equipment as Engineer Camouflage Battalion Army.

10. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Division) 20 copies, The Chief of Engineers, and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Units activated or redesignated
b. Dates of activation or redesignation
c. Source of cadre
d. Size of cadre

11. Army Air Forces Regulation #15-127, April 28, #15-107, June 8, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

12. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding Officer, Army Air Base Colorado Springs, Colorado
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding Officers of all stations concerned
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Field Services, Air Service Command, Patterson Fld, Ohio
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Classification and Enlisted Replacement Branch, TAGO (Major Waite)
Chief of Engineers
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Ordnance
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Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 Copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R AFRBS to AFDPU dated 11-28-42, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation Units". The 852nd Engr Avn Bn is scheduled for Wildflower in January; 859th and 861st Engineer Avn Bn for Wildflower in February; the 862nd Engineer Avn Bn for Wildflower in March and the 863rd Engineer Avn Bn for Sumac in March. Memorandum for The Adjutant General classified "Secret" because of Memorandum for Record; memorandum should be classified "Confidential". Also reference R&R AFRBS to AFDPU, dated 12-3-42, subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation Units". Unit designations and Table of Basic Allowances furnished by Captain Caples of AFRBS. Strengths, designations and priorities checked with AFROM (Major Brundage). TAG as source of cadres confirmed by Col. Folts of TAG and Major Waite, (TAG).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Re-Organization and Re-Assignment of the 8th Observation Squadron (Sp).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 8th Observation Squadron (Sp) be redesignated as the 14th Tow Target Squadron, Plus Three Flights (Flights B, C and D), relieved from its present assignment and re-assigned to the Third Air Force.

1. Table of Organization #1-397, dated July 8, 1942 will be used as a guide in the re-organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. This action does not authorize any change of station.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, Camp Davis, N. C.
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Air Support)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S.P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. [redacted]
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Redesignation, Re-Organization and Re-Assignment of the 8th Observation Squadron (Sp).

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a directive from G-3, WDGCT, 320.2 Gen1 (11-14-42), Subject "Redesignation of the 8th Observation Sq (Sp) as the 14th Tow Target Sq (Plus 8 Flights)," dated December 1, 1942. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces is charged with the responsibility of performing the air missions, including towing, photographic and simulated air attack as required by the Antiaircraft Artillery School and Antiaircraft Artillery Board at Camp Davis, N. C.

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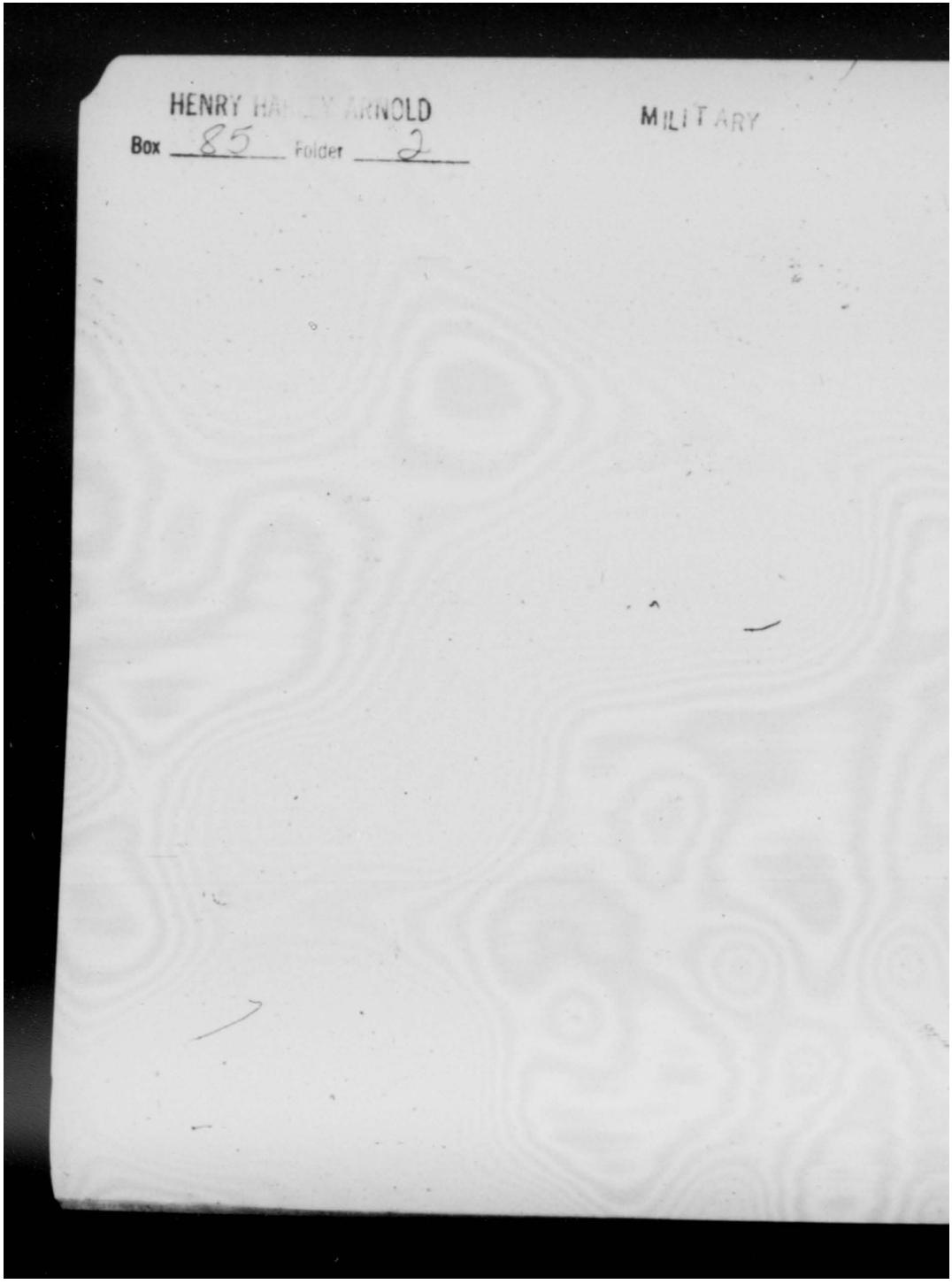

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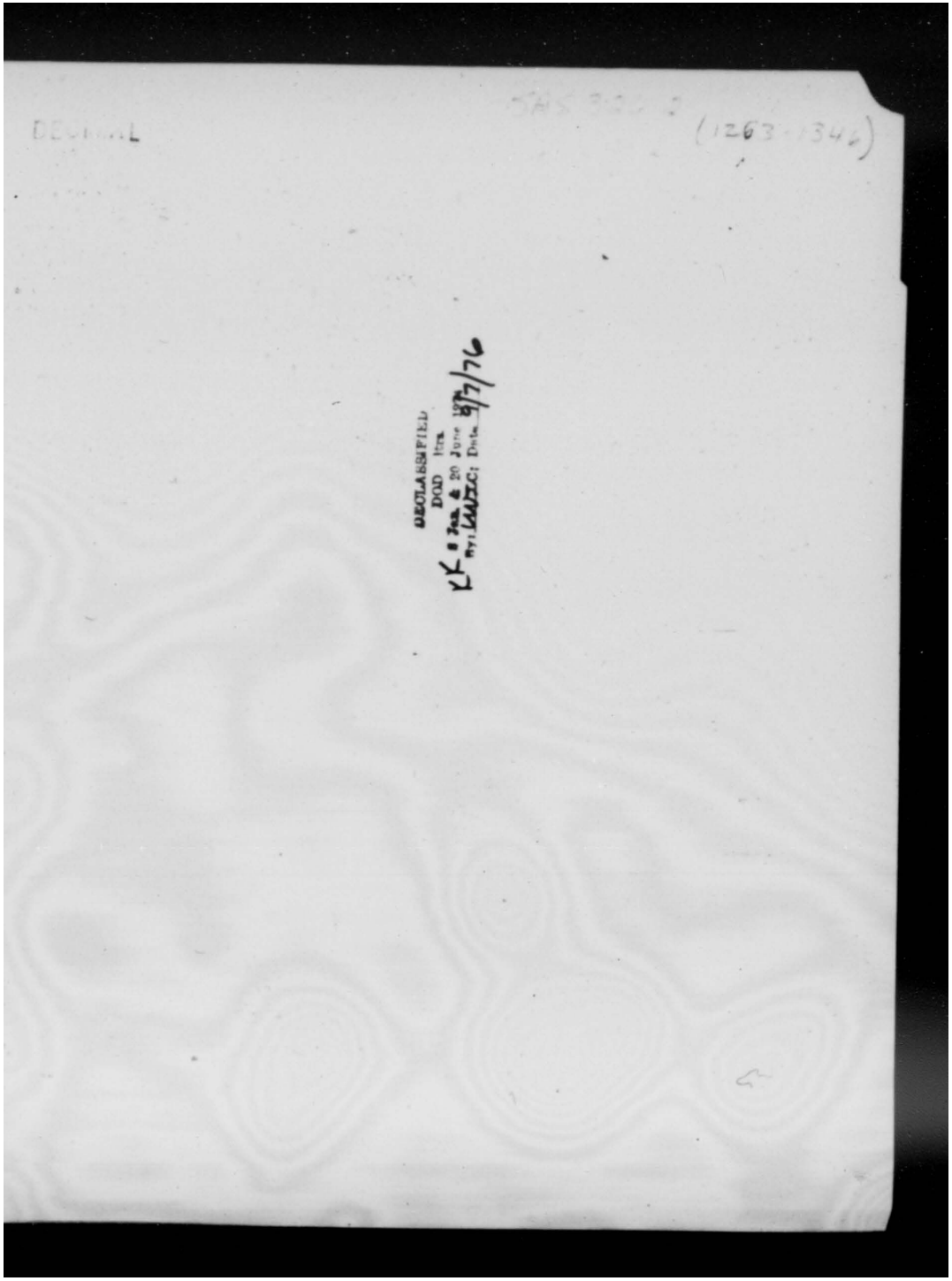

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Air Service Command March 25, 1943:

Unit	Station	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
*882nd Aviation Squadron (Sep)	AAB, Fort Dix, New Jersey	C-1-1527
*884th Aviation Squadron (Sep)	Spokane Air Depot, Spokane, Wash.	C-1-1528
*885th Aviation Squadron (Sep)	Harding Field, Baton Rouge, La.	C-1-1529
*886th Aviation Squadron (Sep)	Harding Field, Baton Rouge, La.	C-1-1530
*887th Aviation Squadron (Sep)	AAB, New Orleans, Louisiana	C-1-1531
*888th Aviation Squadron (Sep)	AAB, New Orleans, Louisiana	C-1-1532
*889th Aviation Squadron (Sep)	Brookley Field, Mobile, Alabama	C-1-1533

2. Table of Organization 1-999, dated August 15, 1942 and Change #1, January 19, 1943 will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The Air Service Command will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. The station commander charged with the activation of units

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Under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMSO, Publications Section - 30 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Site of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. O.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgebird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the approved plan for re-organization of the Seventh Air Force (Memorandum from Chief of Staff to Commanding General, Army Air Forces, February 9, 1943, subject "Re-Organization of the Seventh Air Force". These units will be shipped to the Seventh Air Force in August, 1943. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. (Published letter should be classified "Restricted".)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 98th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 98th Fighter Control Squadron be constituted, assigned to the Fourth Air Force and activated by the Commanding General, thereof at McChord Field, Washington, on March 15, 1943 in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated December 11, 1942 as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
4 Mess Teams (Column 17)		8
2 D/F Teams (Column 20)		20
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)		10
2 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)		6
Total	24	266

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1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, Fourth Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The station commander charged with activation of this unit will immediately notify the appropriate service Command of the date of activation.

4. This unit will have priority rating of C-1-1486 for controlled items of equipment.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

6. This unit will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching Table of Organization strength:

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Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
April 15, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	May 15, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	June 8, 1943

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHRO - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3E will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #306, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. S. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in AAF dated February 26, 1943 from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject: "Activation of the 98th Fighter Control Squadron", and is necessary to provide adequate control facilities in the Olympia Area where this Squadron will operate on completion of training. Total equipment is as follows: 1 Fighter Control Center, 1 Main Transmitting Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 4 D/F Stations, 1 Homing D/F Station, 1 Relay Station. Activation of this unit has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the Fourth Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
383d Fighter Control Sq

	Personnel required for Unit 25% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 50% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controllers	3	3
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
Total	9	4
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin. & Tech. Clerks	8	8
AF Radio Oper. & Mech.	1	
Radio Mech. CNs	16	24
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	1
Cook-Baker	4	4
Automotive Equipment Mech.	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper.	1	3
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	12	30
Total	51	91
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical		1
Total		1
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin. & Tech. Clerk		1
Automotive Equip. Oper.		1
Medical MSG		1
Medical Tech.		1
Surgical Tech.	2	
Total	2	4

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1. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces, concurs in the proposed memorandum to the Deputy Chief of Staff to forma board to coordiante and form late polidies for the various elements of the Army engaged in motion picutre activites.

2. It is the understanding of this Headquarters that no interference will result with operating agencies as a result of such policies without giving the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, an opportunity to comment further.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

sgd.

T. J. HANLEY, Jr.,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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Supply Division, G-4, War Department General Staff, Washington, D. C.
March 6, 1943.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Brig. Gen. T. J. Hanley), War Department, Washington, D. C.

Request made in Par. 3 of basic communication is being complied with in seperate communication.

By Order of the Secretary of War:

R. G. Moses,
Brigadier General,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4.

Incl:
Memo for ASC, G-4
dated Mr. 5, 1943.

/s/ M. F. HASS,
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March 5, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-4.

Subject: Reorganization of the Army Pictoral Service.

1. At a meeting held on March 3d in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, proposal was advanced to reorganize the Army Pictoral Service and publish a War Department Directive which charged this Service with research, design, procurement, storage, issue and operation of all photographic supplies, facilities, and equipment.

2. Colonel Hinton W. Kaye of the Army Air Forces, the Director of Photography, was present at this meeting as the sole representative of the Army Air Forces.

3. Prior to the approval of the proposed change, the Army Air Forces request that it be given an opportunity to comment formally in writing on this proposed change.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

THOS. J. HANLEY
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (2-8-43) OB-I-AFDPU-M, subject as above, March 10, 1943 be rescinded.

II. That Paragraph 8 of letter AG 320.2 (2-8-43) OB-I-AFDPU-M, subject as above, February 11, 1943 be deleted and the following substituted:

	Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
362nd Fighter Group	April 1, 1943 (See Incl)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl)	May 25, 1943
363rd Fighter Group	Sept. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Oct. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Oct. 25, 1943

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from Air Defense, March 19, 1943. The change in schedule for the 363rd Fighter Group is necessary due to production of the type of airplanes scheduled for this Group.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (2-9-43) OB-I-AFDPU-M, subject as above, dated February 11, 1943 be amended by deleting all reference to the following:

Eq. 362nd Fighter Group
360th Fighter Squadron
361st Fighter Squadron
362nd Fighter Squadron

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(same as on original letter).

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Air AG 320.2 (2-9-43)

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from Air Defense, March 1, 1943. Postponement of activation is necessary due to: (a) limited production of aircraft available to Army Air Forces, (b) planned allocation to French Air Force, (c) increased attrition requirements in Twelfth Air Force (d) allocations to Observation Units. (This paper should be published as "Confidential".)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain MP Companies (Avn).

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted and activated by the Commanding General, Air Service Command on March 15, 1943 at Daniel Field, Augusta, Georgia:

Unit and Priority Rating	Organization from T/O 19-217	Authorized Strength Off.	E.M.
1243rd MP Co (Avn) G-1-1314	2 x Col. 3 1 x Col. 4 1 x Col. 5 3 x Col. 6 16 x Col. 7 1 x Col. 8	9	488

Additional Personnel Authorized in Col. 11:

1 Major, Commanding
1 Master Sergeant (302)
2 Technical Sergeants
Personnel (216)
Supply (221)
2 Sergeants, Cooks (060)
4 Corporals, Cooks (060)

1244th MP Co (Avn) G-1-1315	3 x Col. 3 1 x Col. 4 1 x Col. 5 5 x Col. 6 18 x Col. 7 3 x Col. 8	13	609

Additional Personnel Authorized in Col. 11:

1 Major, Commanding
1 Master Sergeant (302)
2 Technical Sergeants
Personnel (216)
Supply (221)
4 Sergeants, Cooks (060)
6 Corporals, Cooks (060)

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Unit and Priority Rating	Organization from T/O 19-217	Authorized Strength Off.	Authorized Strength E.M.
1246th MP Co (Avn) C-1-1516	1 x Col. 3 1 x Col. 4 1 x Col. 5 1 x Col. 6 2 x Col. 7 1 x Col. 8	4	130
1246th MP Co (Avn) C-1-1517	1 x Col. 3 1 x Col. 4 2 x Col. 5 1 x Col. 6 4 x Col. 7 1 x Col. 8	4	168
Additional Personnel Authorized in Col. 11: 1 Corporal, Cook (080)			
1247th MP Co (Avn) C-1-1518	1 x Col. 3 1 x Col. 4 1 x Col. 5 1 x Col. 6 1 x Col. 7 1 x Col. 8	4	100

1. The above units will be organized under T/O 19-217, May 1, 1942 with total authorized strength as shown. Enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #19, dated August 1, 1942.

3. These units will be activated at cadre strength on March 15, 1943, and brought to full Table of Organization strength in accordance with the following schedule:

Reach 25% of T/O strength March 31, 1943
Reach 50% of T/O strength April 30, 1943
Reach 100% of T/O strength May 25, 1943
0 Day, June 1, 1943

These units will be prepared for overseas shipment during the month of August, 1943.

4. Enlisted cadre in accordance with Table of Organization #19-217, dated May 1, 1942 will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Technical Training Command from personnel sources under his control, on call of the activating agency. (See letter AG 320.2 (7-13-42) MR-M-WDGCT, dated July 17, 1942 subject: "Military Police Units with the Army Air Forces"). In accordance with this letter the enlisted cadre personnel will be transferred from the Air Corps to the Corps of

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Military Police. Corps of Military Police Officers will be supplied without requisition by the Commanding General, Services of Supply (Provost Marshal General) in accordance with the schedule shown in Paragraph 3.

5. No reduction in authorized strength and grades of source units will be made as a result of this action.

6. The Air Service Command will supply fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Forms #127 and #128 (Personnel Status Reports).

7. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Air Service Command to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAS - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Units activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Source of cadre.

8. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation of such units.

9. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 18, 1942, and Technical Order #00-35-2A will be complied with immediately.

10. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #306, dated June 26, 1942.

11. That the following be notified of this action:
~~Commanding General, Hawaiian Department~~
~~Commanding General, Seventh Air Force~~
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Technical Training Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Provost Marshal General
Corps of Engineers (Col. S. P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested by R&R dated March 1, 1943, from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject: "Activation of five (5) Military Police Companies (Avn)". See R&R from Program Planning to Central Files through various directorates, including Air Defense, subject: "Reorganization of the Seventh Air Force", in which these five (5) units were listed for activation and shipment to the Seventh Air Force. This action is a part of the reorganization of the Seventh Air Force which was directed by the Chief of Staff in memo to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces dated February 9, 1943, subject: "Reorganization of the Seventh Air Force", and is necessary to meet conditions that exist in Hawaii. Personnel is within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This memorandum is marked secret because of memorandum for record. Published directive may be restricted.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation, Reorganization and Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (3-2-43) OB-I-AFDPU-M, subject as above, dated March 3, 1943 be amended by adding additional paragraphs as follows:

"3. In lieu of the Ground Echelon, 76th Bombardment Squadron (M), retained by the Fourth Air Force, the Commanding General, Western Defense Command, will furnish the following personnel which will be used as a cadre in the formation of a Ground Echelon for the 23rd Antisubmarine Squadron (Hv).

a. Officers 4
Adjutant-1 Captain
Engineering-1 First Lieutenant
Communications-1 First Lieutenant
Armament-1 First Lieutenant

b. Enlisted Men 28
(Grades and qualifications as specified in cadre listed in Table of Organization 1-127, July 1, 1942, and Changes)

4. Movement of cadres from Fourth Air Force to the Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command will be made in accordance with provisions of paragraph 4, letter Headquarters, Army Air Forces, December 28, 1942, file AAF 370.5, subject: "Movement of Units within Continental Limits of United States.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Antisubmarine Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply

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Technical Service Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Memorandum for Record: This action is in accordance with a request from A-3 (Major Martin) March 16, 1943 and is necessary since the total Ground Echelon of the 76th Bombardment Squadron (M) was retained by the Fourth Air Force and it is necessary to provide cadre personnel for the formation of a new Ground Echelon. This has been coordinated with OPD on March 15, 1943-Colonel Fisher, who stated that it was not necessary to send this paper through OPD for formal concurrence. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of 329th Fighter Control Squadron (Special).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 329th Fighter Control Squadron (Special) be constituted, assigned to the Fourth Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Portland Air Base, Portland, Oregon, on March 15, 1943. Table of Organization 1-47 dated December 11, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of the unit as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Headquarters (Column 7 plus Major as Squadron Commander)	3	8
1 Mess Section (Column 8)	0	15
1 Supply Section (Column 9)	1	8
1 Transportation Section (Column 10)	0	9
1 Section Headquarters (Column 12)	4	17
1 Security Section (Column 14)	1	30
1 Medical Section (Column 15)	1	8
4 D/F teams (Column 20)	0	40
3 Mess teams (Column 17)	0	6
2 G.I.G. Control teams (Column 19)	4	8
3 Control teams (Column 18)	9	0
18 Plotters (Intercept)	0	18
12 Plotters (D/F)	0	12
3 Tellers (D/F)	0	3
TOTAL	23	179

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, Fourth Air Force will supply cadre, fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The station commander charged with activation of this unit will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation.

4. This unit will have priority rating of C-1-1487 for controlled items of equipment.

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5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

6. This unit will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching Table of Organization strength:

Date to reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
April 15, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	May 15, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	June 6, 1943

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Unit activated
b. Date of activation.
c. Source of cadre
d. Size of cadre

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 18, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1943.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)

JOHN H. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR [redacted]: This action was requested in R&R dated March 1, 1943 from Air Defense to Program Planning subject: "Activation of the 329th Fighter Control Squadron (Sp)", and is necessary to supply control facilities for this area. Total equipment is as follows: 1 Fighter Control Center (Reduced), 2 S.C.I. Stations, 1 Main Transmitting Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 6 Fixer D/F Stations, 1 Homing D/F Station, 1 Mobile D/F Station. Activation of this unit has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the Fourth Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
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	Personnel Required for Unit 25% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controllers	3	3
Statistical	1	
All Others	3	
Total	9	4
ENLISTED MEN		
	1	2
Admin. & Tech. Clerks	4	4
AF Radio Oper. & Mech.	1	
Radio Mech. GRS	9	17
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	1
Cook-Baker	4	4
Automotive Equipment Mech.	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper.	1	3
Other Specialist	7	10
All Other	7	23
Total	35	65
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical		1
		1
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin. & Tech. Clerk		1
Automotive Equip. Oper		1
Medical NCO		1
Medical Tech.		1
Surgical Tech.	2	
Total	2	4

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Major General Barney McK. Giles, U.S.A.,
Headquarters 4th Air Force,
180 New Montgomery Street,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Barney:

Reference our conversation of March 3, 1943, transcript of which is attached, I received a memorandum from Gene Eubank regarding the marked portions thereof, which I am transmitting to you for your information.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely,

(Sgd)

T. J. HANLEY, JR.,
Brigadier General, U. S. A.,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

SUBJECT: Disbandment of Certain Fighter Control Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the *332nd Fighter Control Squadron be disbanded by the Commanding General, Third Air Force at the earliest practicable date and perso sonnel and equipment thereof be reassigned to other negro units under his control.

II. Concurrently with the above action, the *83rd Fighter Control Squadron (Red) will be disbanded by the Commanding General, Southeast Training Center and personnel and equipment thereof will be reassigned to the Third Air Force for further assignment to other negro units under their control.

1. Station commander charged with disbandment of units under the authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of disbandment of such units.

2. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAS - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the dates of disbandment.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Southeast Training Center
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in MAR dated March 1, 1945 from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject as above. The disbandment of these units has been approved by the Director of Military Requirements and is in accordance with Air Defense's MAR dated January 20, 1945, subject: "Negro Policy".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the 58th Fighter Control Squadron.

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The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 58th Fighter Control Squadron be re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated December 11, 1942 with an authorized strength as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
8 Mess Teams (Column 17)		16
6 G.C.I. Control teams (Column 19)	12	24
6 D/F teams (Column 20)		60
7 Radio Link teams (Column 21)		21
15 Radio Relay teams (Column 22)	—	150
Total	36	493

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Fourth Air Force will supply fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127.

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Defense, February 26, 1943. This unit will operate the following equipment: one Fighter Control Center, six G.C.I. stations, one Main Transmitting Station, one Main Receiving Station, seven Fixed D/F Stations, one Homing D/F Station, one Mobile D/F Station, and fifteen Relay Stations. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Constitution, Activation, Redesignation, Transfer and Disbandment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

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The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following letters be revoked or amended as indicated.

1. AG 370.5 (10-14-42) OB-I-AF-M, dated October 15, 1942, Subject: "Transfer and Redesignation of the 713th Quartermaster Company, Truck with the Army Air Forces" is revoked.

2. AG 370.5 (10-14-42) OB-I-AF-M, dated October 16, 1942, Subject: "Redesignation, Transfer and Disbandment of Certain Army Air Forces Units" is revoked.

3. AG 320.2 (7-10-42) MR-M-AF, dated July 14, 1942, Subject, "Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units" is amended by deleting new designations for the following units:

5th Service Group, Headquarters & Headquarters Squadron
20th Service Group, Headquarters & Headquarters Squadron

7th Service Squadron
27th Service Squadron
28th Service Squadron
43th Service Squadron

19th Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron

4. AG 320.2 (6-25-42) MR-M-AF, dated July 2, 1942, Subject: "Redesignation and Disbandment of Certain Arms and Service Units of the Army Air Forces", paragraph 8, is amended by revoking the disbandment of the 693rd Ordnance Company Aviation (Pursuit) to the extent that it applies to the 2nd and 3rd Platoons in the Philippines.

II. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Fifth Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General, thereof, effective on retroactive dates indicated and absorbing all personnel and equipment of units shown:

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UNIT	ACTIVATION DATE	PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT FROM
455th Service Squadron	Oct. 16, 1942	7th Service Squadron (Formerly 7th Materiel Sq.)
476th Service Squadron	Oct. 16, 1942	27th Service Squadron (Formerly 27th Materiel Sq.)
479th Service Squadron	Oct. 16, 1942	28th Service Squadron (Formerly 28th Materiel Sq.)
480th Service Squadron	Oct. 16, 1942	43th Service Squadron (Formerly 43th Materiel Sq.)
481st Service Squadron	Oct. 16, 1942	408th Service Squadron (Formerly Hqs. & Hqs. Sq., 5th Service Group)
482nd Service Squadron	Oct. 16, 1942	409th Service Squadron (Formerly Hqs. & Hqs. Sq., 20th Service Group)
1102nd Quartermaster Co. Truck, Aviation	Oct. 15, 1942	2070th QM Co., Truck, Avn. (Formerly 713th QM Co. Trk)

1. A report will be made without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG-Publications Section-20 copies) and The Adjutant General, giving the following information:

a. Units activated
b. Confirmation of activation dates
c. Source of personnel and equipment

III. That the following be notified of this action:

Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Quartermaster General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was directed in Memorandum WDGCT 370.5 (1-11-43) dated Jan. 23, 1943 from G-3 to Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Subject: "Units Transferred from the Philippines". See Memorandum dated Jan. 11, 1943 from Lt. Col. Benton, Battle Participation Board, to Col. Manley, Battle Participation Board, same subject, and lists attached thereto of units transferred, less personnel and equipment, from the Philippines and other units disbanded. The action restores to the units involved the designations and locations that existed immediately prior to the loss of the Philippines, and is necessary to prevent confusion that might result in records pertaining to finance, medical, mortality, historical, and veteran matters. Changes in AG letters outlined above effect individual units as follows:

2070th QM Co. Trk, Avn	Returned to Philippines as 71[illegible] QM Co. Trk
693rd Ord. Co. Avn. (Fur)	Reactivated to the extent of 2nd and 3rd Platoons that were in the Philippines
7th Service Sq.	Returned to Philippines as 7th Material Sq.
27th Service Sq.	Returned to Philippines as 27th Material Sq.
28th Service Sq.	Returned to Philippines as 28th Material Sq.
29th Service Sq.	Returned to Philippines as 29th Material Sq.
408th Service Sq.	Returned to Philippines as 5th Air Base Gp., Hqs and Hqs Sq.
409th Service Sq.	Returned to Philippines as 20th Air Base Gp., Hqs and Hqs Sq.
19th Base Hqs & Air Base Sq.	Reactivated as 19th Air Base Sq.

Further action will be taken in respect to 5th Air Corps Squadron Communications (Regional Control) now designated as 5th Airways Communication Squadron. This action is delayed because it involves amendment of an Army Air Force Regulations.

For information regarding the remaining units on which revoking of transfer letters was directed, see Memorandum dated Feb. 10, 1943 from Commanding General, Army Air Forces, to G-3.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted and activated by the Commanding General, Third Air Force at Drew Field, Florida, on the dates indicated:

UNIT	PRIORITY RATING	ACTIVATION DATE
899th Sig AW Bn	C-1-1234	March 15, 1943
900th Sig AW Bn	C-1-1235	April 1, 1943
903rd Sig AW Bn	C-1-1236	April 1, 1943
904th Sig AW Bn	C-1-1237	May 1, 1943
905th Sig AW Bn	C-1-1238	May 1, 1943
906th Sig AW Bn	C-1-1239	May 1, 1943
907th Sig AW Bn	C-1-1240	June 1, 1943
908th Sig AW Bn	C-1-1241	June 1, 1943
901st Sig AW Bn	C-1-1242	June 1, 1943
737th Sig AW Co	C-1-1243	March 15 1943
738th Sig AW Co	C-1-1244	March 15, 1943
739th Sig AW Co	C-1-1245	March 15 1943
740th Sig AW Co	C-1-1246	April 1, 1943
741st Sig AW Co	C-1-1247	April 1, 1943
742nd Sig AW Co	C-1-1248	April 1, 1943
661st Sig AW Co	C-1-1249	April 1, 1943
743rd Sig AW Co	C-1-1250	April 1, 1943
744th Sig AW Co	C-1-1251	April 1, 1943
745th Sig AW Co	C-1-1252	April 1, 1943
746th Sig AW Co	C-1-1253	April 1, 1943
747th Sig AW Co	C-1-1254	April 1, 1943
748th Sig AW Co	C-1-1255	April 1, 1943
749th Sig AW Co	C-1-1256	May 1, 1943
750th Sig AW Co	C-1-1257	May 1, 1943
751st Sig Aw Co	C-1-1258	May 1, 1943
752nd Sig AW Co	C-1-1259	May 1, 1943
753rd Sig AW Co	C-1-1260	May 1, 1943
754th Sig AW Co	C-1-1261	May 1, 1943
755th Sig AW Co	C-1-1262	May 1, 1943
756th Sig AW Co	C-1-1263	May 1, 1943
757th Sig AW Co	C-1-1264	May 1, 1943

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UNIT	PRIORITY NUMBER	ACTIVATION DATE
758th Sig AW Co	C-1-1265	May 1, 1943
759th Sig AW Co	C-1-1266	June 1, 1943
760th Sig AW Co	C-1-1267	June 1, 1943
761st Sig AW Co	C-1-1268	June 1, 1943
762nd Sig AW Co	C-1-1269	June 1, 1943
763rd Sig AW Co	C-1-1270	June 1, 1943
764th Sig AW Co	C-1-1271	June 1, 1943
765th Sig AW Co	C-1-1272	June 1, 1943
766th Sig AW Co	C-1-1273	June 1, 1943
767th Sig AW Co	C-1-1274	June 1, 1943
Sig Hq & Hq Co, AWS, XV Fighter Command	C-1-1275	April 1, 1943
Sig Hq & Hq Co, AWS, XVI Fighter Command	C-1-1276	June 1, 1943

1. The battalions and companies will be organized in accordance with T/O 11-400, dated July 1, 1942 and Change 1, dated November 11, 1942, with team organization and authorized strengths as indicated in Inclosures #1 and #2. The Signal Hq & Hq Companies will be organized in accordance with T/O 11-450-1, dated September 4, 1941 with authorized strengths as indicated in Inclosure #3. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. a. Strength of cadres, source units and dates cadres are to be available for the battalions and the companies are shown in Inclosures #1 and #2.

b. Strength of cadres, source units and dates cadres are to be available for the Signal Hq & Hq Companies are shown in Inclosure #3.

3. Cadre men need not hold the grades indicated in Inclosures 4 through 11 and on Table of Organization 11-450-1, dated September 4, 1942, but must be qualified to perform the duties of the positions for which they may be selected.

4. Each unit furnishing a cadre is authorized overstrength equivalent to the cadre effective immediately.

5. Should a source unit be ordered out of the continental United States before the cadre is withdrawn, the cadre will be left and the source unit will notify the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, that the cadre is available.

6. Source units will ship cadre to Drew Field, Tampa, Florida, in sufficient time to make the cadre available at Drew Field not later than the date indicated in Column 9 of Inclosures #1 and #2, and Column 7 of Inclosure #3.

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7. Reporting platoons (Team G, T/O 11-400) will be of the fixed type unless otherwise indicated. See note p, T/O 11-400, dated July 1, 1942, or footnote (*) on page 12, T/BA 11-2, dated September 15, 1942.

8. Paragraph 2 of Army Air Forces Memorandum No. 35-1, dated June 15, 1942, Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", applies.

9. These units will be equipped in accordance with T/BA 11-2, dated September 15, 1942, or modifications thereof, if any, as directed by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Air Defense).

a. List of modifications, if any, will be prepared by the Director of Air Defense (2 copies only) and submitted to the Director of Base Services.

10. The Commanding General, Third Air Force, will report to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (AFHAG Publication Section - 20 copies) and to the Adjutant General as these units are activated giving the following information:

a. Units activated.
b. Dates of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

11. AAF Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, dated December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-35-2A will be complied with immediately.

12. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206 dated June 26, 1942.

13. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force (4 copies)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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11 Incls.
Incl. 1-Activation Schedule - Sig AW Bns.
Incl. 2-Activation Schedule - Sig AW Cos.
Incl. 3-Activation Schedule - Sig Bn & Hq Co., AWS, F.C.
Incl. 4-Cadre for the 884, 885, 888, 889 Sig AW Bns.
Incl. 5-Cadre for 892 Sig AW Bn.
Incl. 6-Cadre for 886, 887, 890, 891 Sig AW Bns.
Incl. 7-Cadre for Sig AW Co Operating 12 SCR-602's, or similar equipment, or for a Co. of 5 or 6 Standard Rptg. Plots.
Incl. 8-Cadre for Sig AW Co with 4 Rptg. Plots. T/O 11-600.
Incl. 9-Cadre for Sig AW Co with 3 Rptg. Plots. T/O 11-600.
Incl.10-Cadre for Sig AW Co Operating 8 SCR-602's, or similar equipment.
Incl.11-Cadre for Sig AW Co with 2 Rptg. Plots. T/O 11-600.

(See MAR, Comment #2, to Air Defense THEN: Military Personnel, Attn: Major Buenzli, Subj: Const.&Activa. of Cetain AW units with the AAF, in AGFRD File), for preceding inclosures.
REFERENCE: This action is in accordance with request in Routing and Record Sheet dated February 18, 1943, from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject as above. The action is necessary to provide the number of Signal Aircraft Warning units contained in the approved activation schedule and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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The Commanding General
Army Air Forces
February 25, 1943.
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Lieutenant General, Henry H. Arnold

Subject: Army Air Forces and Antiaircraft Artillery

1. On your return from your recent trip you made the following written statement in answer to one of the questions you took with you to North Africa:

> "It is firmly believed that the assignment of antiaircraft artillery to the Air Force will promote the effectiveness of air defense in the protection of airdromes and supply facilities. Effective air defense can result only from the integration of its essential elements, i.e. fighters and antiaircraft."

2. It is understood that the Staff Study, prepared by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 concerning the integration of the anti-aircraft artillery with the Army Air Forces, has met with [redacted] concurrence of the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces [redacted] Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division. It is further understood that this Staff Study is now in the hands of G-3. I imagine the Study with your comments, those of the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces and those of other War Department General Staff Divisions will be forwarded to the Deputy Chief of Staff in the near future for decision.

3. While I feel that a favorable decision on this question is of vital importance to the Army Air Forces and to the war effort, I am unable to take further action in this matter and must pass "the ball" to you for such action as you may wish to take.

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Program for Troop Carrier Groups

General Stratemeyer

General Arnold

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1. The following is the program for Troop Carrier Groups:

a. North Africa

General Eisenhower now has three groups. There is one other group in the Cairo Area. Total four. He must have three additional, or a total of seven in North Africa not later than June 1st.

b. Fort Bragg Training Area for Airborne Divisions.

There are now three groups in this area. We must have for the next year a minimum of two Troop Carrier Groups in this area, and at certain periods three groups. Upon the departure of the 82nd Division, three groups will be needed in this area to train the 101st Division. As soon as the 101st Division is trained then the second sentence of this paragraph will apply.

c. Southwest Pacific.

Two additional Troop Carrier Groups must be sent to this area as soon as practicable - with third priority in this paper.

2. The above necessitates an increase in the number of Troop Carrier Groups which must be created for this purpose with a minimum delay.

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To: Ass't Chief of Air Staff, A-3 Date: March 4, 1943

From: General Stratemeyer Comment #2

1. For necessary action in order to comply with the above directive.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, OPERATIONS DIVISION:

Subject: Deployment of United States Army Forces in 1943.

1. The attached study "Deployment of U. S. Army Forces in 1943", is in substantial accord with the following:

a. The agreement reached at the recent Casablanca Conference.

b. The availability of trained units insofar as can be foreseen at the present time.

c. The availability of combat aircraft as presently forecast from production and modification.

2. This Headquarters concurs in the deployments and dispositions indicated in the study with minor modifications made necessary by most recent plans and indicated by changes shown in the Appendices attached.

For the Commanding General,

1 Incl:
Deployment of U. S.
Army Forces in 1943.

George E. Stratemeyer,
Major General, U. S. A.
Chief of the Air Staff.

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Operational Plans, Air Staff

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1. The deployment of Air Forces shown in the attached study is in substantial accord with the following:

a. Agreements reached at the Casablanca Conference.

b. Availability of trained units for deployment.

c. Availability of shipping.

2. The study should be approved with minor modifications made necessary by most recent plans.

3. Attached is a memorandum to Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division, for the signature of General Arnold, approving the study with indicated small modifications.

Incl: n/c
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O. A. ANDERSON
Brig. General, U.S.A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Re-Organization of Certain Photographic Squadrons (Hy).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 11th, 19th, 20th and 24th Photographic Squadrons (Hy) be re-organized in accordance with the attached tentative table of organization with an authorized strength of 65 Officers, one Warrant Officer and 380 enlisted men.

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Any additional personnel required will be requisitioned in the usual manner by submission of the AAF Form 129.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography)
Commanding Officer, Army Air Base, Colorado Springs
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. O.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Att: Tentative T/O

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Photography, February 12, 1943 and is necessary since these units are being provided four-engine aircraft as rapidly as schedules permit. The present table of organization for Photo Sqs does not provide the proper personnel nor sufficient amounts required for efficient operation of units of this type. Any additional personnel required under this tentative T/O from that now on hand in these Squadrons will be within the authorized strength of the AAF.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of Certain Photographic Squadrons (Hy).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 15th and 18th Photographic Squadrons (Hy) be re-organized in accordance with the attached tentative table of organization with an authorized strength of 65 officers, one warrant officer, and 380 enlisted men.

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Any additional personnel required will be requisitioned in the usual manner by submission of the AAF Form 137.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
CINC, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Relabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Re-Organization of Certain Photographic Squadrons (Hv).

Concurrences:

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Add: Tentative T/O

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reorganization of the 910th Signal Company Depot, Aviation.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 910th Signal Company Depot, Aviation, be reorganized in accordance with Table of Organization 11-207, dated November 1, 1942, effective March 20, 1943. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

1. This action does not involve any change of station or assignment.

2. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11, August 1, 1942, Changes 1 and 2. Equipment will be furnished from that now available to the Commanding General, Tenth Air Force.

3. The Commanding General, American Forces in China, India, Burma, will confirm this reorganization to Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General, without delay.

II. That the Commanding General, American Forces in China, India, Burma, and Commanding General, Tenth Air Force, be notified by radio of this action. Confirmation of the action taken will be requested in the radio notification.

III. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, American Forces in China, India, Burma
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (4 copies)
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Technical Services Division, Matabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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[illegible] This action is in accordance with radio Arnold 157, February 27, 1943 and AG3 from Communications, subject: "Table of Organization for 910th Signal Company Depot, Aviation", dated March 2, 1943. Informal concurrence of Colonel Hayne of OPD. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Requirement paragraph furnished by Major Bitter of Communications.

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Army Air Forces Personnel per Plane.

Colonel Moore, Program Planning Unit.

March 4, 1943

General Stratemeyer

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1. The point that General Arnold raises with reference to the attached paper is this - When we have all the Tactical Groups and Squadrons with their airplanes in theaters operating, what will be the total over-all number of soldiers and officers per airplane. He is of the opinion that our operational aircraft in units will be around 15,000. Will you please give me the number that we will have operational in our 273 Group Program and then divide that number into 2,500,000 and give me the answer by comment hereon.

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GEORGE E. STRATEMEYER,
Major General, U.S.A.,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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Army Air Forces Personnel per Plane.

Chief of the Air Staff.

Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, Program Planning

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1. In accordance with your verbal directive, the following tabulation showing personnel per plane is submitted:-

PLANES AND PERSONNEL	ON HAND Jan. 31, 1943	ON HAND Dec. 31, 1943
TACTICAL		
Planes		
Heavy Bombardment	2,131	5,339
Medium Bombardment	2,439	3,222
Light Bombardment	680	491
Dive Bombardment	585	1,919
Fighter, SE	4,379	7,726
Fighter, TE	1,017	2,016
Transport	1,954	4,134
Liaison	1,611	2,459
Total Planes	14,796	27,376
Personnel		
Officers	97,459	219,770
Warrant Officers	1,893	5,689
Enlisted Men	785,427	1,448,360
Total Personnel	884,779	1,673,819
TACTICAL PERSONNEL PER PLANE	58.45	61.43
SCHOOLS		
Planes - Tactical		
Heavy Bombardment	128	739
Medium Bombardment	325	1,132
Light Bombardment	15	0
Dive Bombardment	11	0
Fighter, SE	105	1,112
Fighter, TE	1	21
Transport	79	157
Liaison	1,008	1,053
Subtotal Planes - Tactical	1,672	4,214
Planes - Trainer	18,196	21,482
TOTAL PLANES	19,778	25,696

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Army Air Forces Personnel per Plane.

Chief of the Air Staff.

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Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, Program Planning.

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PLANES AND PERSONNEL	ON HAND Jan. 31, 1943	ON HAND Dec. 31, 1943
Personnel		
Officers	45,857	34,484
Warrant Officers	837	655
Enlisted Personnel	829,678	743,640
Total Personnel	875,772	778,479
SCHOOL PERSONNEL PER PLANE	44.24	29.43
Civilians		
Planes		
Tactical (other than schools)	14,796	27,376
School		
Tactical	1,672	4,514
Trainer	18,126	21,907
Total Planes	34,594	53,827
Personnel	288,139	288,139
CIVILIAN PERSONNEL PER PLANE	8.33	5.35
Combined		
Planes - Tactical		
Heavy Bombardment	2,259	6,078
Medium Bombardment	2,764	4,354
Light Bombardment	695	691
Dive Bombardment	596	1,919
Fighter, SE	4,484	9,168
Fighter, TE	1,016	2,037
Transport	2,033	4,191
Liaison	2,619	1,188
Subtotal Planes - Tactical	16,468	31,980
Planes - Trainer	18,126	21,907
Combined Planes	34,594	53,827

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PLANES AND PERSONNEL	ON HAND Jan. 31, 1943	ON HAND Dec. 31, 1943
Combined (cont'd)		
Personnel		
Officers	142,716	253,954
Warrant Officers	2,730	6,144
Enlisted Men	1,995,105	2,200,000
Civilians	288,139	288,139
Combined Personnel	2,028,690	2,748,237
COMBINED PERSONNEL PER PLANE	98.64	51.06

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Army Air Forces Personnel per Plane.

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1. In accordance with your verbal directive, the following tabulation showing personnel per plane is submitted:-

PLANES AND PERSONNEL	ON HAND Jan. 31, 1943	ON HAND Dec. 31, 1943
TACTICAL		
Planes		
Heavy Bombardment	2,131	5,339
Medium Bombardment	2,439	3,222
Light Bombardment	686	691
Dive Bombardment	585	1,919
Fighter, SE	4,379	7,786
Fighter, TE	1,017	2,016
Transport	1,954	4,114
Liaison	1,611	2,129
Total Planes	14,796	27,376
Personnel		
Officers	97,459	219,770
Warrant Officers	1,893	5,489
Enlisted Men	765,427	1,456,360
Total Personnel	864,779	1,681,619
TACTICAL PERSONNEL PER PLANE	58.45	61.43
SCHOOLS		
Planes - Tactical		
Heavy Bombardment	128	739
Medium Bombardment	325	1,132
Light Bombardment	15	0
Dive Bombardment	11	0
Fighter, SE	105	1,442
Fighter, TE	1	21
Transport	79	157
Liaison	1,008	1,053
Subtotal Planes - Tactical	1,672	4,544
Planes - Trainer	18,126	21,907
TOTAL PLANES	19,798	26,451

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Army Air Forces Personnel per Plane.

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Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, Program Planning.

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PLANES AND PERSONNEL	ON HAND Jan. 31, 1943	ON HAND Dec. 31, 1943
Personnel		
Officers	46,257	94,184
Warrant Officers	837	655
Enlisted Personnel	829,678	741,640
Total Personnel	875,772	776,479
SCHOOL PERSONNEL PER PLANE	44.24	29.43
Civilians		
Planes		
Tactical (other than schools)	14,796	27,376
School		
Tactical	1,672	4,544
Trainer	18,126	21,907
Total Planes	34,594	53,827
Personnel	288,139	288,139
CIVILIAN PERSONNEL PER PLANE	8.33	5.35
Combined		
Planes - Tactical		
Heavy Bombardment	2,259	6,078
Medium Bombardment	2,764	4,354
Light Bombardment	695	691
Dive Bombardment	596	1,919
Fighter, SE	4,484	9,168
Fighter, TE	1,618	2,037
Transport	2,033	4,491
Liaison	2,619	3,182
Subtotal Planes - Tactical	16,468	31,920
Planes - Trainer	18,126	21,907
Combined Planes	34,594	53,827

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Combined (cont'd)		
Personnel		
Officers	142,716	253,954
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Combined Personnel	2,028,690	2,748,237
COMBINED PERSONNEL PER PLANE	58.64	51.06

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reassignment of the 1073rd Guard Squadron

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 1073rd Guard Squadron (Bd) be relieved from assignment to the First Air Force and reassigned to the 1st Army Air Forces Electronics Experimental Unit, Commonwealth Airport, Boston, Mass.

1. The Commanding Officer, 1st Army Air Forces Electronics Experimental Unit, will report without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG-Publications Section-20 copies), and The Adjutant General, confirming reassignment of this unit.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, 1st Army Air Forces Electronics Experimental Unit.
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Provost Marshal General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. HOOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action repeatedly requested by the First Air Force, since Commonwealth Airport, Boston, Massachusetts, is not under its control. Reference is made to letter of February 16, 1943 from First Air Force to Commanding General, Army Air Forces; and BAI under date of February 24, 1943 to A-3 from AFDPD, and Comment 2, A-3 to Progress Planning, February 25, 1943.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 403rd Fighter Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 403rd Fighter Squadron be constituted, activated on March 15, 1943 at Selfridge Field, Michigan, and assigned to the Third Air Force.

2. Table of Organization 1-37, July 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit, which will have an authorized strength of eighteen officers and 234 enlisted men; specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The Third Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 129 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. The station commander charged with the activation under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances 1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

6. This unit will have a C-1-1519 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15 - 107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

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5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #308, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Unit Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, February 26, 1943 and is necessary in order to provide instructors and supervisory personnel for the *332nd Fighter Group until mechanics and other technical personnel of that Group are fully trained, at which time this Squadron will be re-assigned to a Fighter Group in the OTU system, and authorized the full strength of a regular Fighter Squadron. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Disbandment of the *717th Signal Aircraft Warning Company

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Commanding General, Third Air Force, disband the *717th Signal Aircraft Warning Company as of March 15, 1943. Colored personnel of this unit will be transferred in grade to the 332nd Fighter Group. White training cadre provided by the Commanding General, Third Air Force will be returned to the proper station.

1. The station commander charged with the disbandment of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of disbandment of this unit.

2. Equipment of the *717th Signal Aircraft Warning Company will be returned to the Chief of Supply Service concerned.

3. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG-Publications Section -20 copies) and The Adjutant General, giving date of disbandment of this unit.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Comment #1 of R&R, Air Defense to Program Planning dated February 10, and comments thereto; subject: "Inactivation and Disbandment of 717th Signal Aircraft Warning Company", and letter from Third Air Force of February 8, subject: "Request for Inactivation of 717th Signal Aircraft Warning Company".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Re-Organization and Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated, re-organized and re-assigned as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation	T/O to be Re-Organized under	New Assignment
11th Antisubmarine Sq (Hy)	11th Antisubmarine Sq (M)	1-127, July 1, 1942	
17th Antisubmarine Sq (Hy)	17th Antisubmarine Sq (M)	1-127, July 1, 1942	
128th Observation Sq	21st Antisubmarine Sq (M)	1-127, July 1, 1942	AAF Antisubmarine Command
46th Bombardment Sq (M)	22nd Antisubmarine Sq (Hy)	1-117, July 1, 1942	AAF Antisubmarine Command
76th Bombardment Sq (M)	23rd Antisubmarine Sq (Hy)	1-117, July 1, 1942	AAF Antisubmarine Command

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Relabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Memorandum for the Assistant Chief of Staff, OPD from A-3, subject "Movement of Medium Bomber Units out of Western Defense Command to South Pacific and Antisubmarine Command", February 4, 1943, and approved by OPD as indicated in letter OPD 370.5 PTO (2-4-43), same subject, dated February 8, 1943. The redesignation of the Antisubmarine Squadrons (Hv) to (M), (Colonel Brannon, AFRDD), is necessary since these units have had medium bombardment training only and the 46th and 76th Bombardment Squadrons (M) have had some heavy training. This re-organization will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the 58th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 58th Fighter Control Squadron be re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated December 11, 1942 with an authorized strength as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
3 D/F Teams (Column 20)		30
5 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)		15
7 Mess Teams (Column 17)		14
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)		10
Total	24	291

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 137.

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Defense, February 17, 1943, and is necessary since this unit is scheduled for movement to Alaska in the near future and will operate the following equipment: 1 Fighter Control Center, 1 Transmitter Station, 1 Receiver Station, 1 Forward Relay Station, 1 Homing D/F Station, 1 Fixer D/F Station, 1 Mobile D/F Station, 6 Radio Links. This paper is classified "Secret" due to the reference made to movement of unit, but published paper should be classified as "Confidential".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Disbandment of the 554th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion (Separate).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 554th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion (Separate) be disbanded by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command, at the earliest practicable date.

1. Personnel from this unit will be transferred without loss of grade to units under control of the Commanding General, Western Defense Command.

2. Equipment assigned to this unit will be transferred to Signal Aircraft Warning units in the Western Defense Command and remaining excess will be returned to the proper Chief of Supply Services.

3. The Commanding General, Western Defense Command, will forward a report to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHiG-Publications-20 copies) and the Adjutant General, giving the following information:

a. Date of disbandment.

b. Units to which personnel and equipment will be transferred.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Memorandum for the Record: This action is requested in M&R dated February 22, 1943, from Air Defense to Program Planning, Subject: Disbandment and Inactivation of 554th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion (Separate). This disbandment has been concurred in by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command, and is requested for the following reasons:

a. There is no tactical requirement for the unit.
b. There is insufficient aircraft warning reporting equipment to permit this battalion to operate as a training unit.

c. Disbandment will allow transfer of personnel to Signal Aircraft Warning companies in the Western Defense Command to fill existing shortages.

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MEMORANDUM TO THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reorganization of the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That a detachment for the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion to consist of the teams indicated below be organized, trained and prepared for shipment by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, at Drew Field, Tampa, Florida, as of March 5, 1943.

Team	C	D	S
Quantity	1	2	1

1. This detachment will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 11-400, July 1, 1942, and will have an authorized strength of 2 Officers, 1 Warrant Officers, and 56 Enlisted Men, including 2 Enlisted Men, attached Medical.

2. This detachment will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances 11-3, September 15, 1942, to operate one radio set SCR-588 (GCI) with IFF.

3. The Commanding General, Third Air Force, is authorized to divert the personnel and equipment now assigned to Detachment C, 658th Signal Aircraft Warning Company, in addition to that available from other sources under his control, for the purposes of organizing and filling the Detachment for the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

4. This action will cause no loss of grade to any individual concerned.

5. The Reporting Platoons will be of the fixed type. See note "p", Table of Organization 11-400 July 1, 1942, or footnote (*), page 12, Table of Basic Allowances 11-3, September 15, 1942.

6. Paragraph 2 of Army Air Forces Memorandum #35-1, dated July 13, 1942; Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates" applies.

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7. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form #120 (Personnel Status Report).

8. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG-Publications Section)(20 copies), and The Adjutant General, giving the following information:

a. Date detachment organized.

b. Source of personnel.

9. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Third Air Force (4 copies)
Commanding General, Service of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps.

Divisions of the War Department General Staff:

III. That the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion be augmented by a detachment of 2 Officers, 1 Warrant Officer, and 56 Enlisted Men; including 2 Enlisted Men, attached Medical. This detachment for the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion will be organized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, in accordance with Table of Organization 11-400, dated July 1, 1942 with teams as indicated below:

Team	C	D	S
Quantity	1	2	1

1. The authorized strength of the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, augmented as outlined above, will be 111 Officers, 29 Warrant Officers and 1923 Enlisted Men; including 14 Officers and 114 Enlisted Men, attached Medical and 2 Officers, attached Chaplains, and 2 Enlisted Men, Assistants. This change is effective as of March 5, 1943.

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IV. That the CINC-SWPA and Commanding General, Fifth Air Force, only, be notified by separate letter of the reorganization of the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion and that the date of reorganization be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, and The Adjutant General, indicating the Company in the Battalion which is augmented by this detachment.

For the Commanding General:

R. C. LEWIS
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Acting Ass't Air Adjutant General.

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Memorandum for Record: This action is in accordance with request on RAR, dated Feb. 26, 1943, from Air Defense to Program Planning; subject as above. Reference is made to War Department directive, file GPD 370.5 Aus (2-23-43) dated Feb. 24, 1943, subject: "Personnel and Equipment for GCI Operations". This action is necessary to provide the 565th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion with personnel and equipment to operate one Radio Set SCR-588 (GCI) with IWF. The action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Two letters are necessary for security reasons.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of the 670th Signal Aircraft Reporting Company, Special.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That a detachment for the 670th Signal Aircraft Warning Company, to consist of the teams indicated below, be organized, trained and prepared for shipment by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, at Drew Field, Tampa, Florida, as of March 5, 1943.

Team	C	D	S
quantity	1	2	1

2. This detachment will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 11-400 and will have an authorized strength of 2 Officers, 1 Warrant Officer, and 56 Enlisted Men; including 2 Enlisted Men, attached Medical.

3. The detachment will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances 11-3, September 15, 1943, to operate 1 radio set SCR-588 (CXI) with 177.

4. The Commanding General, Third Air Force, is authorized to divert the personnel and equipment now assigned to Detachment A, 668th Signal Aircraft Warning Company, in addition to that available from other sources under his control, for the purpose of organizing and filling the Detachment for the 670th Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

5. This action will cause no loss of grade to any individual concerned. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

6. Reporting Platoons will be of the fixed type; see note "p" of the Table of Organization 11-400, July 1, 1942, or footnote (*), page 12, Table of Basic Allowances, September 15, 1942.

7. Personnel replacement will be accomplished in the usual manner by submission of Army Air Forces Form 128 (Personnel Status Report).

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7. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, to Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAG-Publications Section-20 copies) and The Adjutant General, giving the following information:

a. Date detachment organized.

b. Source of personnel.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Third Air Force (4 copies)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)

Corps of Engineers (Col. C. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps.

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III. That the 670th Signal Aircraft Reporting Company, Special, be redesignated the 670th Signal Aircraft Warning Company and reorganized at the earliest practicable date by the Commanding General, South Pacific Area, in accordance with Table of Organization 11-400, dated July 1, 1942, with teams as indicated below:

Team	E	G	D	E	F	I	F	S
Quantity	1	3	2	1	1	3	1	3

1. That the authorized strength of this unit, reorganized as outlined above, will be 11 Officers, 3 Warrant Officers and 214 Enlisted Men; including 6 Enlisted Men, attached Medical. This change is effective as of March 5, 1943.

2. The unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances 11-3, dated September 15, 1942, to operate two radio sets SCR-271, and 1 SCR-588 (GCI) with IFF.

IV. That the Commanding General, South Pacific Area, and Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, only, be notified by separate letters of the redesignation and reorganization of the 670th Signal Aircraft Warning Reporting Company, Special, and that confirmation of redesignation and date of reorganization be reported to Commanding General, Army Air Forces, and The Adjutant General.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

R. C. LEWIS
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Acting Ass't Air Adjutant General.

Memorandum for the Record: This action is in accordance with 352, dated February 25, 1943, from Air Defense to Program Planning; subject, as above. Reference is made to Radiogram GM-OUT 4781 to New Caledonia, dated February 16, 1943. A directive is being published in OPD, increasing the strength of this unit to that indicated above. The increase is necessary to provide the 670th Signal Aircraft Warning Company with personnel to operate 1 radio set, SCR-583 (GCI) with 1FF. The action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Two letters are necessary for security reasons.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be redesignated as indicated and reorganized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization 11-400, dated July 1, 1942, with authorized strengths and teams as indicated in Inclosure I:

Old Designation	New Designation
690th Sig. AW Reporting Co., F	690th Sig. AW Co.
552nd Sig. AW Battalion, Sep.	552nd Sig. AW Battalion
553rd Sig. AW Battalion, Sep.	553rd Sig. AW Battalion
555th Sig. AW Battalion, Sep.	555th Sig. AW Battalion

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication. All transfers of personnel between any two of these units will be made without loss of grade to any individual concerned.

2. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances, 11-3, dated September 15, 1942 with modifications, if any, as specified by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Air Defense).

a. List of modifications, if any, will be prepared by the Director of Air Defense (2 copies only) and submitted to the Director of Base Services.

3. Reporting Platoons will be of the fixed type. See note "p", Table of Organization 11-400, dated July 1, 1942 and footnote (*), page 12, Table of Basic Allowances 11-3, dated September 15, 1942.

4. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #126, dated May 8, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

5. Paragraph 2 of Army Air Forces Memorandum No. 35-1, dated June 13, 1942; subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates" applies.

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6. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (AFMAG, Publications-20 copies) and the Adjutant General without delay, giving the following information:

a. Confirmation of redesignations.
b. Date of reorganizations.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942, and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Third Air Force (4 Copies)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Kelsbird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Incl: Chart

Memorandum for Record: This action was requested by Air Defense in [illegible] dated February 20, 1942, to Program Planning, subject as above, and is necessary to reorganize these units under the standard T/O 11-400 now being used. The action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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REORGANIZATION AND REDESIGNATION OF SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING UNITS

OLD UNIT DESIGNATION	NEW UNIT DESIGNATION	ORGANIZATION - T/O 11-400 TEAM AND QUANTITY	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH Off.	W.O.	E.M.	ATTACHED MEDICAL (Included in Col. 4) Off.	W.O.	Em.
690th Sig AW Rptg Co, T	690th Sig AW Co	B C D E F I J P S 1 4 4 1 2 4 1 1 4	13	4	288			8
552d Sig AW Bn, Sep	552d Sig AW Bn	(Bn Hq & Hq Co (A E F H I J K L P Q R T (1 1 16 2 12 3 3 1 3 1 2 1 (Three Rptg Cos (each) (B C S (1 4 4 (Ground Observer Co (B I M P (1 6 36 2	52	14	1102	6		54
553d Sig AW Bn, Sep	553d Sig AW Bn	(Bn Hq & Hq Co (A E F H I J K P Q R T (1 1 10 2 12 3 3 3 1 1 1 (Three Rptg Cos (each) (B C S (1 4 4	45	14	878	4		43
555th Sig AW Bn, Sep	555th Sig AW Bn	(Bn Hq & Hq Co (A E F H I J K P Q R T (1 1 10 2 12 3 3 3 1 1 1 (Three Rptg Cos (each) (B C S (1 4 4	45	14	878	4		43

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TO: Chief of Air Staff

Date: March 11, 1943
Comment No. 5
JCC: JB 5789

FROM: Air Adjutant General

Attention is invited to comments #2 and #4.

JOHN B. COOLEY
Colonel, A.G.D.
Asst Air A G.

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Air Adjutant General

March 9, 1943

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1. Recommendation contained in paragraph 2 of Comment No. 2 is concurred in.

2. It was the intent of this Directorate that the Commanding Officer of the Radar Calibration Flight be a flying officer when the T/O was prepared; its omission was due to a typographical error.

1 Att: n/c

GORDON P. SAVILLE
Brig. Gen., U.S.Army

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TO: Management Control

DATE 10 March 43

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

COMMENT NO. 11
MAL/mdg/5265

1. Note the attached proposed reply to General Bissell and the foregoing comments from various agencies in this Headquarters who saw the basic communication.

2. Would you please put one of your experts on the job and prepare a suitable reply to General Bissell which will not be full of stereotyped expressions and, at the same time, will furnish him with some ray of hope as to what he may expect in the way of men and materials.

3. In view of the great length of time which has been lost in attempting to prepare a suitable reply it is requested that you give this a high priority.

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TO: Director of Air Defense

Date: 3-6-43
Comment No. 3
JDC:JB 5789

FROM: Air Adjutant General

For comment or concurrence on the recommendation contained in paragraph 2 of Comment No. 2.

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SIGNATURE OF RESPONSIBLE OFFICER				JOHN B. COLE, Colonel, A.G.D.		
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TO: Chief of Air Staff

DATE March 5, 1943

FROM: Director of Technical Services

COMMENT NO. 2
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1. The idea of activating radar calibration flights is concurred in.

2. The Commanding Officer of the flights in question is carried on the T/O as a non-flying officer. It is felt that this is not only a dangerous precedent, but it is also a violation of Army Regulations #95-60, Paragraph 5 thereof. Although Paragraph 3 of the basic communications states that these units are to be attached or assigned, as necessary, to the Headquarters Squadron of Fighter Commands, there is no doubt that these units will, in many instances, be operating in isolated localities. It is recommended that the T/O be revised with the Commanding Officer being rated as a pilot.

H. M. McCLELLAND
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.

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Director of Technical Services

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Chief of the Air Staff

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For indication of concurrence and return.

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Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary, Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of the 406th Bombardment Squadron (M).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 406th Bombardment Squadron (M) be relieved from assignment to the 42nd Bombardment Group (M) and re-assigned to the 41st Bombardment Group (M).

1. This action does not authorize any change of station or strength.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with memorandum for the Assistant Chief of Staff, OPD from A-3 Division, subject "Movement of Medium Bomber Units out of Western Defense Command to South Pacific and Anticubmarine Command" February 4, 1943, and approved by Operations Division as indicated in letter OPD 370.5 PTO (2-4-43), same subject, February 8, 1943. This re-assignment is necessary since the 42nd Bombardment Group (M) is being transferred from the Fourth Air Force to the Thirteenth Air Force. This paper is classified as "Secret" because of reference to movement of units overseas, but published paper should be classified "Confidential".

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WAR DEPARTMENT
Headquarters of the Army Air Forces
Washington, D. C.

Feb. 22, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Air Adjutant General
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1. Transmitted herewith for your information and files is the latest revision of a CONFIDENTIAL Table, AAF Basis of Activation and Assignment of Units in an Air Force, dated February 15, 1943.

2. Request that all previous editions of this Table be destroyed

3. It is requested that the attached receipt form be filled out and returned to Army Air Forces Headquarters, attention Director of War Organization and Movement.

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Brig. General, U.S.Army,
Director, War Organization and Movement.

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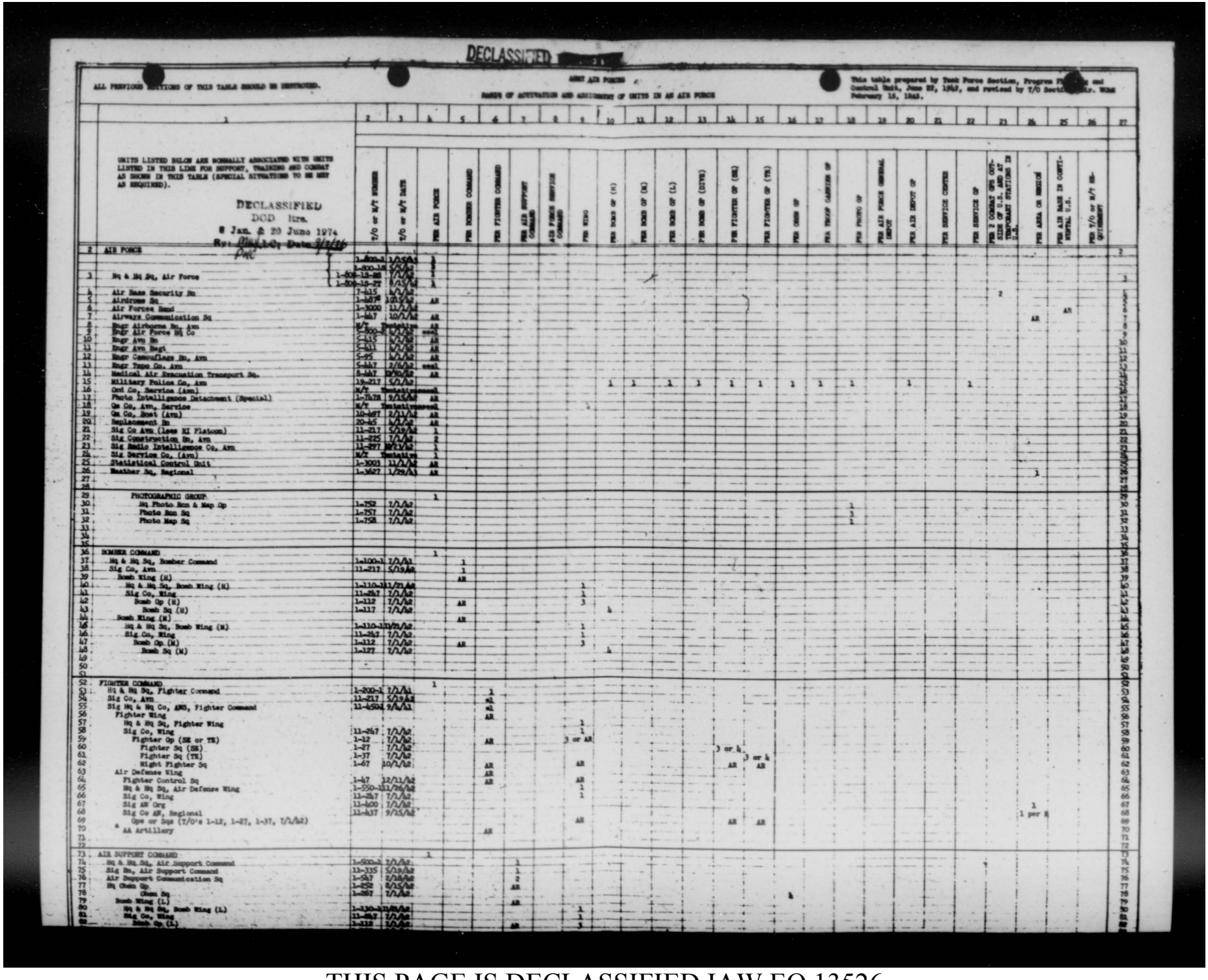

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	T/O or M/T NUMBER	T/O or M/T DATE	PER AIR FORCE	PER BOMBER COMMAND	PER FIGHTER COMMAND	PER AIR SUPPORT COMMAND	AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND	PER WING	PER BOMB GP (H)	PER BOMB GP (M)	PER BOMB GP (L)	PER BOMB GP (DIVE)	PER FIGHTER GP (SE)	PER FIGHTER GP (TE)	PER OBSN GP	PER TROOP CARRIER GP	PER PHOTO GP	PER AIR FORCE GENERAL DEPOT	PER AIR DEPOT GP	PER SERVICE CENTER	PER SERVICE GP	PER 2 COMBAT OPS OUTSIDE OF U.S. AND AT TEMPORARY STATIONS IN U.S.	PER AREA OR REGION	PER AIR BASE IN CONTINENTAL U.S.	PER T/O or M/T HEADQUARTERS
AIR FORCE	1-Avn-1	1/15/42	1																						
	1-200-1A	5/5/42	1																						
Hq & Hq Sq, Air Force	1-200-15-SS	7/1/42	1																						1
	1-200-15-27	8/15/42	1																						
Air Base Security Bn	7-415	4/1/42																				2			
Airdrome Sq	1-1874	12/15/42	AR																						
Air Forces Band	1-3000	11/1/42																						AR	
Airways Communication Sq	1-447	10/1/42	AR																				AR		
Engr Airborne Bn, Avn	M/T	Tentative	AR																						
Engr Air Force Hq Co	5-350-1	7/1/42	cost																						
Engr Avn Bn	5-415	8/1/42	AR																						
Engr Avn Regt	5-401	8/1/42	AR																						
Engr Camouflage Bn, Avn	5-95	8/1/42	AR																						
Engr Topo Co, Avn	5-447	2/6/42	cost																						
Medical Air Evacuation Transport Sq.	8-447	12/30/42	AR																						
Military Police Co, Avn	19-217	5/1/42							1	1		1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1				
Ord Co, Service (Avn)	M/T	Tentative	cost																						
Photo Intelligence Detachment (Special)	1-7478	9/15/42	AR																						
Qm Co, Avn, Service	M/T	Tentative	cost																						
Qm Co, Boat (Avn)	10-447	2/1/42	AR																						
Replacement Bn	20-45	1/1/42	AR																						
Sig Co Avn (less HI Platoon)	11-217	5/19/42	1																						
Sig Construction Bn, Avn	11-225	7/1/42	2																						
Sig Radio Intelligence Co, Avn	11-227	10/1/42	1																						
Sig Service Co, (Avn)	M/T	Tentative	1																						
Statistical Control Unit	1-3003	11/1/42	AR																						
Weather Sq, Regional	1-3627	1/29/43	AR																				1		
PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP			1																						
Hq Photo Recn & Map Gp	1-752	7/1/42															1								
Photo Recn Sq	1-757	7/1/42															1								
Photo Map Sq	1-758	7/1/42															1								
BOMBER COMMAND			1																						
Hq & Hq Sq, Bomber Command	1-100-1	7/1/41		1																					
Sig Co, Avn	11-217	5/19/42		1																					
Bomb Wing (H)				AR																					
Hq & Hq Sq, Bomb Wing (H)	1-110-11	7/1/42						1																	
Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																	
Bomb Gp (H)	1-112	7/1/42		AR				3																	
Bomb Sq (H)	1-117	7/1/42							4																
Bomb Wing (M)				AR																					
Hq & Hq Sq, Bomb Wing (M)	1-110-11	7/1/42						1																	
Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																	
Bomb Gp (M)	1-112	7/1/42		AR				3																	
Bomb Sq (M)	1-127	7/1/42							4																
FIGHTER COMMAND			1																						
Hq & Hq Sq, Fighter Command	1-200-1	7/1/41			1																				
Sig Co, Avn	11-217	5/19/42			1																				
Sig Hq & Hq Co, AWS, Fighter Command	11-4504	9/1/41			1																				
Fighter Wing					AR																				
Hq & Hq Sq, Fighter Wing								1																	
Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																	
Fighter Gp (SE or TE)	1-12	7/1/42			AR			3 or AR																	
Fighter Sq (SE)	1-27	7/1/42											3 or 4												
Fighter Sq (TE)	1-37	7/1/42												3 or 4											
Night Fighter Sq	1-67	10/1/42			AR			AR					AR	AR											
Air Defense Wing					AR																				
Fighter Control Sq	1-47	12/11/42			AR			AR																	
Hq & Hq Sq, Air Defense Wing	1-350-11	7/1/42						1																	
Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																	
Sig AW Org	11-407	7/1/42																					1		
Sig Co AW, Regional	11-437	9/15/42																					1 per R		
Gps or Sqs (T/O's 1-12, 1-27, 1-37, 7/1/42)								AR					AR	AR											
AA Artillery					AR																				
AIR SUPPORT COMMAND			1																						
Hq & Hq Sq, Air Support Command	1-500-1	7/1/42				1																			
Sig Bn, Air Support Command	11-335	5/19/42				1																			
Air Support Communication Sq	1-547	2/15/43				2																			
Hq Chem Gp	1-252	8/15/42				AR																			
Chem Sq	1-267	7/1/42													4										
Bomb Wing (L)						AR																			
Hq & Hq Sq, Bomb Wing (L)	1-130-11	7/1/42						1																	
Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																	
Bomb Gp (L)	1-112	7/1/42				AR		3																	

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2 AIR FORCE																										2
3 Hq & Hq Sq, Air Force	1-800-1 1-800-15 1-800-15-85 1-800-15-27	1/15/42 5/5/42 7/1/42 8/15/42	1 1 1																							3
4 Air Base Security Bn	7-415	1/1/42																				2				4
5 Airdrome Sq	1-487	1/15/42	AR																					AR		5
6 Air Forces Band	1-3000	11/1/42																								6
7 Airways Communication Sq	1-447	10/1/42	AR																							7
8 Engr Airborne Bn, Avn	M/T	Tentative	AR																							8
9 Engr Air Force Hq Co	1-800	7/1/42	cancl																							9
10 Engr Avn Bn	5-415	1/1/42	AR																							10
11 Engr Avn Regt	5-411	1/1/42	AR																							11
12 Engr Camouflage Bn, Avn	5-95	1/1/42	AR																							12
13 Engr Topo Co, Avn	5-417	2/6/42	cancl																							13
14 Medical Air Evacuation Transport Sq.	8-147	12/30/42	AR																							14
15 Military Police Co, Avn	19-217	5/5/42							1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		1		1					15
16 Ord Co, Service (Avn)	M/T	Tentative	cancl																							16
17 Photo Intelligence Detachment (Special)	1-7478	9/15/42	AR																							17
18 Qm Co, Avn, Service	M/T	Tentative	cancl																							18
19 Qm Co, Boat (Avn)	10-497	2/1/42	AR																							19
20 Replacement Bn	20-45	1/1/42	AR																							20
21 Sig Co Avn (less RI Platoon)	11-217	5/19/42	1																							21
22 Sig Construction Bn, Avn	11-725	7/1/42	2																							22
23 Sig Radio Intelligence Co, Avn	11-297	8/15/42	1																							23
24 Sig Service Co, (Avn)	M/T	Tentative	1																							24
25 Statistical Control Unit	1-3003	11/1/42	AR																							25
26 Weather Sq, Regional	1-3627	1/29/43	AR																				1			26
27																										27
28																										28
29 PHOTOGRAPHIC GROUP			1																							29
30 Hq Photo Rcn & Map Gp	1-752	7/1/42															1									30
31 Photo Rcn Sq	1-757	7/1/42															3									31
32 Photo Map Sq	1-758	7/1/42															1									32
33																										33
34																										34
35																										35
36 BOMBER COMMAND			1																							36
37 Hq & Hq Sq, Bomber Command	1-100-1	1/1/42		1																						37
38 Sig Co, Avn	11-217	5/19/42		1																						38
39 Bomb Wing (H)				AR																						39
40 Hq & Hq Sq, Bomb Wing (H)	1-110-111/21/42							1																		40
41 Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																		41
42 Bomb Gp (H)	1-112	7/1/42		AR				3																		42
43 Bomb Sq (H)	1-117	7/1/42							4																	43
44 Bomb Wing (M)				AR																						44
45 Hq & Hq Sq, Bomb Wing (M)	1-110-111/21/42							1																		45
46 Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																		46
47 Bomb Gp (M)	1-112	7/1/42		AR				3																		47
48 Bomb Sq (M)	1-127	7/1/42							4																	48
49																										49
50																										50
51																										51
52 FIGHTER COMMAND			1																							52
53 Hq & Hq Sq, Fighter Command	1-200-1	7/1/42			1																					53
54 Sig Co, Avn	11-217	5/19/42			*1																					54
55 Sig Hq & Hq Co, AMS, Fighter Command	11-4504	9/4/42			*1																					55
56 Fighter Wing					AR																					56
57 Hq & Hq Sq, Fighter Wing								1																		57
58 Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																		58
59 Fighter Gp (SE or TE)	1-12	7/1/42			AR			3 or AR																		59
60 Fighter Sq (SE)	1-27	7/1/42											3 or 4													60
61 Fighter Sq (TE)	1-37	7/1/42												3 or 4												61
62 Night Fighter Sq	1-67	10/1/42			AR			AR					AR	AR												62
63 Air Defense Wing					AR																					63
64 Fighter Control Sq	1-47	12/11/42			AR			AR																		64
65 Hq & Hq Sq, Air Defense Wing	1-550-111/26/42							1																		65
66 Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																		66
67 Sig AW Org	11-400	7/1/42																					1			67
68 Sig Co AF, Regional	11-437	9/15/42																					1 per R			68
69 Gps or Sqs (T/O's 1-12, 1-27, 1-37, 7/1/42)								AR					AR	AR												69
70 * AA Artillery					AR																					70
71																										71
72																										72
73 AIR SUPPORT COMMAND			1																							73
74 Hq & Hq Sq, Air Support Command	1-500-1	7/1/42				1																				74
75 Sig Bn, Air Support Command	11-335	5/19/42				1																				75
76 Air Support Communication Sq	1-547	2/18/42				2																				76
77 Hq Obsn Gp	1-252	8/15/42				AR																				77
78 Obsn Sq	1-267	7/1/42																								78
79 Bomb Wing (L)						AR																				79
80 Hq & Hq Sq, Bomb Wing (L)	1-130-111/28/42							1																		80
81 Sig Co, Wing	11-247	7/1/42						1																		81
82 Bomb Gp (L)	1-112	7/1/42				AR		3																		82
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 69th and 70th Bombardment Squadrons (M) be relieved from assignment to the 38th Bombardment Group (M) and re-assigned to the 42nd Bombardment Group (M).

1. This re-assignment does not authorize any change of station or strength.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
CINC.-SWPA
CINC, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOKLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a directive from OPD as indicated in letter OPD 370.5 PTO (2-4-43), subject "Transfer of the 69th and 70th Medium Bombardment Squadrons from the 38th Bombardment Group (M)", February 5, 1943 and is necessary since the 42nd Bombardment Gp. with two squadrons, is being transferred to the Thirteenth Air Force and these two Squadrons are now stationed in this area.

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R. A. F. Coastal Command Order of Battle.

Chief of the Air Staff
Thru: Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, A-2
Statistical Control

Feb. 19, 1943

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1. Attached is copy of communication from AAF Antisubmarine Command requesting R.A.F. Coastal Command data. Original of request is being coordinated with R.A.F.

2. The information is needed by Antisubmarine Command in connection with its responsibilities for combating enemy submarine activity in all parts of the world.

3. In view of the strategic nature of the information requested, the request is forwarded for decision with the recommendation that it be approved.

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CHARLES B. THORNTON
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps

TO: Chief of the Air Staff.

DATE: Feb. 20, 1943.

FROM: Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, A-2.

COMMENT NO. 2
WB:lh 4700

Recommend approval.

EDGAR P. SORENSEN
Colonel, G. S. C.

1 Incl.
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TO: Statistical Control

DATE 23, Feb. 43

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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COMMENT NO. 3
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1. Approved.

2. For necessary action.
Incl. n/c

MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Lieut. Colonel G. S. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 18th Airways Communication Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 18th Airways Communication Squadron be reorganized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-447, October 1, 1942. Specific authorization of grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

1. In addition to squadron headquarters, this unit will be set up to operate the following types stations:

Communications

Type A	6
Type B	2
Type X	18
Type D	8

Cryptographic

Class I	6
Class II	2
Message Center	8

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Communications)
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding Officer, 18th Airways Communication Squadron
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCE:

A. C. of S., OPD ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request on M&R dated February 16, 1943, from Communications to Program Planning, Subject: "Construction and Activation of 18th Airways Communication Squadron (Regional Control)", and is necessary to provide additional stations and personnel for Communication facilities of the Twelfth Air Force. Personnel are available in the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of the Hq & Hq Sq, 7th Fighter Wing.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, 7th Fighter Wing be redesignated as the Hq & Hq Sq, 47th Bombardment Wing (M) and re-organized in accordance with T/O 1-110-1, November 21, 1942 with an authorized strength of 48 officers, 1 warrant officer and 128 enlisted men.

1. Any overages in personnel will be transferred without loss in grade to other units under the control of the Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force.

2. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attn: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

II. That the Commanding General, North African Theater be informed by radio of this action giving the file number of the AG letter in reply to radio FOSCO, February 5, 1943, GH-IN-2827 (6 Feb 43).

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Baltimore Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a directive from OPD as indicated in letter OPD 320.2 Africa (2-5-43), subject "Inactivation of Hq & Hq Sq, 7th Fighter Wing and Activation of Hq & Hq Sq, 47th Bombardment Wing (M)", Feb. 10, 1943. No increase in authorized strength will be involved.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of the 339th Fighter Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 339th Fighter Squadron be redesignated as the 339th Fighter Squadron (Twin Engine) and re-organized under Table of Organization 1-37, July 1, 1942 with an authorized strength of 38 officers and 278 enlisted men.

1. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
CinC, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Belabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request contained in Message #378, February 8, 1943 from New Caledonia (Harmon) and directive from OPD, as indicated on disposition form OPD 320.2 PTO (2-8-43), subject "Re-Organization of 339th Fighter Squadron", February 10, 1943 and is necessary since this unit is equipped with two-engine airplanes (P-38's).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the inclosure to letter AG 320.2 (2-9-42) OB-I-AFDPU-M subject as above, dated February 11, 1943 be amended by substituting "2" for "4" Statistical Officers in Column "Personnel Required for Unit 29F Manned" and "26" for "28" in Total.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a verbal request from Air Defense (Lt. McClain), February 17, 1943 and is necessary since the T/O for a Fighter Group is being amended to show 2 statistical officers instead of 4.

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Unit Requirements and Activation Schedule.

Commanding General, Third Air Force, Tampa, Florida.

1. Schedule of Recommended Unit Requirements and Proposed Stations of Activation, submitted with letter of January 14 have been reviewed in accordance with paragraph seven (7) g, A.A.F. Memorandum 150-43.

2. A revised Schedule of Unit Assignments, 1943 (dated February 15, 1943) is inclosed. The revision is based on Unit Requirements and on latest plans available in this headquarters.

3. The Activation Schedule for tactical units should be revised to conform to the new 273-Group Program of the Army Air Forces. Attention is directed to the following comment concerning the activation of groups through June 30, 1943:

a. Bomb (H). The group scheduled for activation in February was activated in January. The activation of one group in March, one, in April, and one in June is in agreement with the program.

b. Bomb (L). The group scheduled for activation in January has been activated. The group scheduled for activation in March appears on the program to be activated by April 1; the one in April, by May 1; and the one in June, by June 1.

c. Bomb (M). The program calls for activation of two groups each month during February, March, April, May, and June. The Third Air Force has two groups scheduled for activation in February, March, and June; one in April, and none in May.

d. Ftr Gr Attch. The program calls for the activation of two groups in May and two groups in June. The Third Air Force has scheduled the activation of only one group through June 30, this to be during the month of May.

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4. It is recommended that the Third Air Force include all units assigned to its command when submitting Schedule of Recommended Unit Requirements.

By Command of Lieutenant General ARNOLD:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

4 Incls:
Incl 1 - Ltr AAF 322.052 (3-14-43)
Incl 2 - Sch. of Recommended Unit Requirements
Incl 3 - Proposed Stations of Activation
Incl 4 - Chart, Third AF Sch. of Unit Augts, 1943.

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Re-Organization of the 15th, 78th and 82nd Fighter Control Squadrons.

OPD, W.D.G.S.

Necessary action

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Incl.
Memo for TAG,
above subject.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the 15th, 78th and 82nd Fighter Control Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 15th, 78th and 82nd Fighter Control Squadrons be re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated December 11, 1942 with an authorized strength as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 thru 15, inclusive)	24	222
6 Mess Teams (Column 17)		16
1 GCI Control Team (Column 19)	2	4
2 HF Teams (Column 20)		20
6 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)		18
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)		10
Total	26	290

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Twelfth Air Force will supply fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 127.

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Date of re-organization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, January 19, 1943. These units are scheduled for the North African Theater and will become parts of the Air Defense systems for Casablanca, Oran and Algiers, and will operate the radio equipment necessary to effectively control Fighter operations. This equipment consists of Ground-to-Air channels, HF and Homing Devices, as well as the necessary control room equipment. All Fighter aircraft now in North Africa are equipped with VHF so it is essential that the necessary personnel and equipment be supplied to provide adequate control facilities. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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For the Commanding General:

5 Incls: n/c

DON H. ROGERS,
Major, Air Corps,
Military Personnel Officer.

2nd Ind.

Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C. MAR 19 1943
TO Commanding General, Proving Ground Command, Eglin Field, Florida.

1. Units listed in paragraph 1 of 1st Indorsement appear on the Units Program of the Proving Ground Command and will be included in the next published program of the Army Air Forces.

2. The 899th Guard Squadron is now carried on the program with a strength of nine (9) officers, no (0) warrant officers, and five hundred thirty-nine (539) enlisted men.

By the command of Lieutenant General ARNOLD:

5 Incls:
w/d

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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HQ, AAF PROVING GROUND COMMAND, Eglin Field, Florida, 25 February 43.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C.

1. In connection with basic communication, the following additional units are now under the jurisdiction of the Proving Ground Command, and it is requested that they be included in the next Army Air Forces Program which is to be published:

a. Quartermaster Company, Aviation (Service) (M/T for this unit not yet furnished) (1 officer, 200 enlisted men) (February through December). This unit activated February 9, 1943, with authorized strength of one (1) officer, 200 enlisted men. Authority letter, Adjutant General's Office, dated February 3, 1943, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Quartermaster Companies, Aviation (Service)", file AG 320.2 (2-2-43) OB-I-AF-M.

b. Minimum Altitude Bomber Torpedo Unit (Medium) (T/O 1-127, July 1, 1942, less Flights B, C, and D) one unit (February through July).

c. Minimum Altitude Bomber Fighter Unit (Twin Engine) (T/O 1-37, July 1, 1942, less Flights B and C) one unit (February through July).

NOTE: (Minimum Altitude Bomber Torpedo Unit (Medium) and Minimum Altitude Bomber Fighter Unit (Twin Engine) indicated in sub-paragraph b and c, above, authorized by letter, War Department, The Adjutant General's Office, dated January 29, 1943, file AG 320.2 (1-28-43) OB-I-AF-M, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Force Units". These units activated by General Order Number 4, this Headquarters, dated February 13, 1943).

d. Headquarters Section, Electronics Proving Ground (M/T 1-3895, February 5, 1943) 1 unit (February through December).

e. Electronics Section, Electronics Proving Ground (Organized under Personnel Allotment Table) two units (February through December).

2. When the next Army Air Forces Program is published, request that the following correction be made:

889th Guard Squadron - M/T 1-3001, November 1, 1943 (the officers and enlisted men for this unit be changed from four (4) officers, one hundred (100) enlisted men to four (4) officers, five hundred thirty-nine (539) enlisted men. Unofficial information indicates that this number of enlisted men has been approved, and instructions are being issued to reorganize this squadron to provide for five hundred thirty-nine (539) enlisted men to furnish guards for the main base at Eglin Field and seven (7) auxiliary fields and the Electronics Proving Ground.

3. No further changes or additional requirements are indicated at the present time.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of the 680th Signal Aircraft Warning Reporting Company, Special.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 680th Signal Aircraft Warning Reporting Company, Special, be redesignated as the 680th Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

1. This unit will be reorganized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, in accordance with Table of Organization 11-400 dated July 1, 1942, with an authorized strength of eleven (11) Officers, three (3) Warrant Officers and (213) Enlisted Men, including six (6) Enlisted Men, attached medical, with the following teams:

Teams	R	O	R	F	I	J	P	S
Quantity	1	3	1	1	3	1	1	3

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Military Personnel).

3. This unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances 11-3, dated September 15, 1942, to operate three (3) radio sets, SCR-271.

4. Upon reorganization of the 680th Signal Aircraft Warning Company, excess personnel will be absorbed in other Signal Aircraft Warning units as desired by the Commander concerned.

5. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form #128, dated May 13, 1942, (Personnel Status Report).

6. Reporting platoons will be of the fixed type. See note p, Table of Organization 11-400, dated July 1, 1942, and footnote (*) Table of Basic Allowances 11-3, dated September 15, 1942.

7. A report will be submitted by the Commander concerned to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAS - Publication Section) 20 copies and The Adjutant General without delay giving the follow-

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a. Confirmation of redesignation.
b. Date of reorganization.
c. Disposition of excess personnel.

3. AAF Regulation #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 15, 1942, #15-128, May 8, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force (4 copies)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer.
Chief of Ordnance.
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies).
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis).
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request on R&R, AFRAD to AFDPU, dated February 6, 1943, subject: "Redesignation and Reorganization of the 680th Signal Aircraft Warning Reporting Company, Special", and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This action is necessary to reorganize this unit under the standard Table of Organization 11-400 now being used for this type of unit.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Fighter Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted and activated immediately as indicated:

Unit	Station	Activated by GH	Assigned to
442nd Fighter Sq	Westover Field, Massachusetts	First Air Force	326th Fighter Group
443rd Fighter Sq	Richmond, Va.	First Air Force	327th Fighter Group
444th Fighter Sq	Hamilton Field, California	Fourth Air Force	328th Fighter Group
445th Fighter Sq (Sp)	Orlando, Florida	Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics	80th Fighter Group (Sp)

2. Table of Organization 1-27, dated July 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The Command concerned will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of each units.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 28, 1942.

6. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

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6. These units will have the following priority ratings for controlled items of equipment:

442nd Fighter Squadron	A-2(d)-97
443rd Fighter Squadron	A-2(d)-98
444th Fighter Squadron	A-2(d)-99
445th Fighter Squadron (Sp)	A-2(a)-215

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1943, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #306, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Middlebird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN H. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and the plan to provide a fourth squadron for all Fighter Training Units. This was requested by the Director of Air Defense by ltr of February 9, 1943, subject "Activation of a Fourth Squadron for O.T.U. Fighter Groups and the Group stationed at the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Units with the Army Air Forces

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted and activated effective March 1, 1943:

Unit and Priority Rating	Station of Activation	**Source of Cadre	Activated by CG and Assigned to
*1872nd Engr Avn Battalion C-1-1043	Davis-Monthan Fld, Tucson, Arizona	*923rd Engr Avn Regt	Second Air Force
*1873rd Engr Avn Battalion C-1-1044	Davis-Monthan Fld, Tucson, Arizona	*848th Engr Avn Bn	Second Air Force
1874th Engr Avn Battalion C-1-1045	McChord Field Washington	824th Engr Avn Bn	Fourth Air Force
1875th Engr Avn Battalion C-1-1046	McChord Field Washington	836th Engr Avn Bn	Fourth Air Force
1876th Engr Avn Battalion C-1-1047	March Field California	844th Engr Avn Bn	Fourth Air Force
1877th Engr Avn Battalion C-1-1048	Venice, Florida	824th Engr Avn Bn	Air Service Command
1878th Engr Avn Battalion C-1-1049	AAB Richmond, Virginia	924th Engr Avn Regt	First Air Force
1st Battalion 922nd Engr Avn Regt	Geiger Field, Washington	922nd Engr Avn Regt	Second Air Force

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Unit and Priority Rating	Station of Activation	**Source of Cadre	Activated by CG and Assigned to
3rd Battalion 922nd Engr Avn Regt	Geiger Field, Washington	922nd Engr Avn Regt	Second Air Force
879th Airborne Engr Avn Bn C-1-1050	Westover Field, Massachusetts	925th Prov Airborne Engr Avn Regt	First Air Force (Asgd to 925th Prov. Airborne Engr Avn Regt)
880th Airborne Engr Avn Bn C-1-1051	Westover Field, Massachusetts	925th Prov Airborne Engr Avn Regt	First Air Force (Asgd to 925th Prov Airborne Engr Avn Regt)
881st Airborne Avn Bn C-1-1052	Westover Field, Massachusetts	925th Prov Airborne Engr Avn Regt	First Air Force (Asgd to 925th Prov Airborne Engr Avn Regt)
914th Engr AF Hq Company C-1-1053	Hamilton Field, California	909th Engr AF Hq Co	Fourth Air Force
940th Engr Camouflage Bn(Avn) C-1-1054	Davis-Monthan Field Tucson, Arizona	937th Engr Camouflage Bn (Avn)	Second Air Force

*Negro Enlisted Personnel
** Source Units (except the 824th Engr Avn Bn) will furnish 1 commissioned officer with each cadre.

1. The Engineer Aviation Battalions will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 5-415, dated April 1, 1942 with changes 1, 2 and 3 with an authorized strength of thirty-one (31) officers and seven hundred seventy-six (776) enlisted men including three (3) officers and fourteen (14) enlisted men attached medical and one (1) chaplain and one (1) Chaplain's assistant.

2. The Airborne Engineer Battalions Aviation will be organized and equipped in accordance with Tentative Table of Organization and Table of Basic Allowances attached to letter AG 320.2 (12-11-42)OB-I-AF-M, dated December 14, 1942, subject: "Redesignation, Constitution, and Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation units with the Army Air Forces". This unit will be organized with an authorized strength of twenty-nine (29) officers and four hundred eighty-seven (487) enlisted men including four (4) officers and twenty-nine (29) enlisted men attached medical and one (1) Chaplain.

3. The 914th Engineer AF Hq Co will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 5-800-2, dated April 1, 1942 with an authorized strength of twelve (12) officers and two hundred and thirteen (213) enlisted men.

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4. The 940th Engineer Camouflage Battalion (aviation) will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 5-95, dated April 1, 1942 with an authorized strength of thirty (30) officers, one (1) warrant officer and four hundred forty-five (445) enlisted men including two (2) officers and twelve (12) enlisted men attached medical.

5. Priority Ratings for controlled items of equipment will be as shown above. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #5, dated December 1, 1942. Engineer Camouflage Battalion Aviation will be furnished the same organizational equipment as Engineer Camouflage Battalion Army.

6. The activating agencies will supply fillers and replacement personnel. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of A.A.F Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

7. No reduction in authorized enlisted strengths and grades will be made as a result of this action. Personnel will be transferred in grade.

8. These units will be activated at cadre strength on March 1, 1943, and brought to full Table of Organization strength in accordance with the following schedule:

Reach 25 per cent of T/O strength by April 1, 1943
Reach 50 per cent of T/O strength by May 1, 1943
Reach 100 per cent of T/O strength by May 25, 1943
0 Day, June 1, 1943.

9. The Station commanders charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the dates of activation of such units.

10. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section) 20 copies, Chief of Engineers , and The Adjutant General, without delay, giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Dates of activation
c. Source of cadre
d. Size of cadre

11. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

12. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Iceland Base Command through Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Engineers
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Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. GOOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R from Base Services to Program Planning, no date, subject: "Constitution and activation of Certain Engr Avn Units with the AAF". This action is in accordance with present Army Air Forces Expansion program and personnel is within the authorized strength. Units activated in the First and Fourth Air Forces are assigned to the First and Fourth Air Forces for organization, training, and preparation for overseas Service only and are subject to withdrawal at any time to meet overseas commitments. Activation of these units in these stations is desired to utilize existing housing and to concentrate these units for training as much as possible. With regard to the 824th Engr Avn Bn furnishing 2 cadres, see Cable No. SR 131, dated January 25, 1943 from CG, Iceland Base Command reporting that unit is able to furnish these cadres and requesting shipment of additional fillers with the 74 cadre replacements to refill unit to T/O strength. Personnel Division, A.A.F. is arranging to ship 128 replacements to the 824th Engr Avn Bn. This Memorandum stamped 'Secret' because of Memorandum for Record. Published letter should be classified 'Restricted'.

The activation of engineer units above have been thoroughly coordinated with the Staffs of the Commands concerned by the Engineer Section of Base Services of the Headquarters, Army Air Forces and all Commands concerned have agreed that housing is available at stations indicated and that under present plans of operations they are able to activate, organize, and train these units for functional duty. This statement per telephone conversation between Col. Maurer and Col. Lane of Base Services and Lt. Col. Powell of Program Planning on February 17, 1943.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
ENGINEER AVIATION BATTALIONS

		Personnel Required for Units 25% Manned	25% 2nd Bn	Personnel Required for Units 50% Manned
099	Const. Supervisor	1	0	1
813	Motor Sm	1	0	1
502	Sergeant Major	1	0	1
585	First Sergeant	4	0	4
086	Foreman Mech	2	0	2
814	Operations Asst	0	1	1
821	Supply	1	0	1
230	Surveyor Topo	0	1	1
651	Leader Platoon	3	0	3
399	Constr. Equip Super	1	0	1
099	Constr Supvr Asst	0	1	1
114	Machinist	1	0	1
824	Mess	4	0	4
813	Motor Co	4	0	4
816	Personnel	1	0	1
821	Supply Asst Sm	1	0	1
890	Chemical	0	1	1
410	Dispatcher	0	1	1
086	Foreman Mech.	4	0	4
674	Message Center Chf	1	0	1
324	Storekeeper	1	0	1
099	Sub Foreman	28	1	29
821	Supply Co	4	0	4
230	Surveyor Instrument	0	1	1
812	Weapons	4	0	4
804	Camouflage Tech	0	1	1
405	Clerk Co	4	0	4
405	Clerk Gen	1	0	1
824	Mess, Asst	1	0	1
228	Recorder	0	1	1
099	Subforeman	9	20	29
086	Subforeman Mechanic	1	0	1
660	Truckmaster	1	0	1
253	Water Service Super	0	1	1
812	Weapons	3	6	9
624	Blacksmith (T-5)	1	0	1
800	Bugler	1	3	4
800	Camouflour (T-5)	0	1	1

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		Personnel Required for Units 255 Assigned	255 2nd Bn	Personnel Required for Units 255 Assigned
050	Carpenter General (T-4)	9	6	15
405	Clerk General (T-5)	6	12	18
055	Clerk General (T-4)	2	0	2
060	Cook (T-4)	10	3	13
060	Cook (T-5)	7	6	13
521	Cooks Helper	5	3	8
064	Crane Shoval Opr (T-4)	1	1	2
064	Crane Shoval Opr (T-5)	0	1	1
533	Demolition (T-5)	0	6	6
070	Draftsman (T-5)	1	0	1
533	Demolition	0	3	3
076	Draftsman Topo (T-4)	3	4	7
078	Electrician (T-5)	0	1	1
078	Electrician General	1	0	1
411	Lab Tech (T-3)	4	0	4
613	Mech, Diesel (T-3)	1	0	1
613	Mech, Diesel (T-5)	0	4	4
121	Mech, General	4	0	4
614	Mech Motor (T-4)	1	4	5
614	Mech Motor (T-5)	0	3	3
089	Mech Motor Supply	4	-	4
081	Operator Air Compressor (T-5)	00	1	1
081	Operator Air Compressor	0	1	1
399	Opr Asphalt Plant (T-4)	0	2	2
399	Opr Asphalt Plant (T-5)	0	1	1
399	Opr Construction Equip	3	3	6
399	Opr Heavy, Const Equip (T-3)	0	1	1
399	Opr Heavy Const Equip (T-4)	4	3	7
399	Opr Heavy Const Equip (T-5)	1	0	1
399	Opr Motor Grader (T-5)	0	1	1
399	Opr Road Mixer (T-5)	8	2	10
399	Opr Roller (T-4)	0	1	1
399	Opr Roller (T-5)	1	1	2
083	Opr Water Purification (T-5)	0	1	1
299	Opr Well Drilling Equip (T-4)	0	1	1
299	Opr Well Drilling Equip (T-5)	1	0	1
177	Radio Operator (T-4)	0	1	1
177	Radio Operator (T-5)	1	0	1
191	Radman and Chainman	4	10	14
213	Stenographer (T-4)	7	13	20
242	Tool Room Keeper (T-5)	1	0	1
244	Tractor Driver (T-5)	3	4	7
244	Tractor Driver	6	9	15
245	Truck Driver Heavy (T-5)	9	21	30
	Truck Driver Light (T-5)	3	0	3
345	Truck Driver Light	0	2	2
247	Typist			
256	Welder (T-4)			
	Total	191	141	332

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ENDURANCE AVIATION ENGINEER BATTALION

Tentative T/O	Personnel Required for units 25% Manned	25% 2nd Bn	Personnel Required for units 50% Manned
Master Sergeant			
502 Sergeant Major	0	1	1
First Sergeant			
505 First Sergeant	4	0	4
Tech Sergeant			
521 Supply	1	0	1
Staff Sergeant			
399 Equip Supervisor	1	0	1
651 Leader Platoon	0	3	3
624 Mess Sgt	4	0	4
516 Personnel	1	0	1
521 Supply	4	0	4
Sergeant			
399 Foreman Equip	3	0	3
337 Foreman Mechanic	4	0	4
099 Foreman Unit	0	6	6
Sergeant			
405 Clerk	4	0	4
099 Subforeman unit	3	0	3
612 Weapons	0	3	3
Technician Grade 3			
614 Mechanic Auto	0	1	1
Technician Grade 4			
060 Cook	4	0	4
614 Mechanic Auto	4	0	4
257 Welder	4	0	4
Technician Grade 5			
604 Blacksmith	0	1	1
050 Carpenter	3	0	3
405 Clerk	1	1	2
060 Cook	4	0	4
078 Electrician	0	3	3
612 Mechanic Ignition	0	1	1
399 Operator Constr Equip	1	0	1
177 Operator radio	1	3	4
242 Toolroom Keeper	3	1	4
244 Tractor Driver	0	1	1
257 Welder	1	3	4

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Airborne Avn Engr Bn

		Personnel Required for Units 25% Manned	25% 2nd Bn	Personnel Required for Units 50% Manned
Privates First Class & Privates				
324	Ammunition Carrier	4	4	8
389	Bugler	4	0	4
090	Carpenter	3	3	6
870	Chemical	3	6	9
405	Clerk	1	3	4
521	Cook's Helper	0	4	4
177	Communications	0	3	3
533	Demolitions	3	6	9
604	Gunner	4	4	8
121	Mechanic General	6	4	10
457	Messenger	0	4	4
081	Operator Air Compressor	0	3	3
359	Operator asphalt	0	1	1
359	Operator Constr. Equip	0	2	2
	Operator mine detector	3	6	9
807	Operator Pneumatic tools	3	6	9
189	Rigger	9	9	18
248	Toolroom keeper	4	0	4
244	Tractor driver	0	1	1
245	Truck driver	0	1	1
345	Truck driver	4	5	9
521	Basics	8	12	20
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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
ENGINEER HEADQUARTERS COMPANY AF

		Personnel Required for Units 25% Manned	25% 2nd No	Personnel Required for Units 50% Manned
Master Sergeant				
107	Lithographer, General	1	0	1
227	Chief Designer	1	0	1
585	First Sergeant	1	0	1
Technical Sergeant				
810	Camouflour	3	0	3
107	Lithographer, General	2	0	2
227	Construction, estimator	1	0	1
230	Surveyor, Topographic	1	0	1
Staff Sergeant				
810	Camouflour	1	0	1
076	Draftsman, Topographic	1	0	1
107	Lithographer, Photo transferer	1	0	1
824	Mess	1	0	1
813	Motor	1	0	1
143	Photographer, Copy Camera	1	0	1
167	Pressman, rotary, lithographic	1	0	1
074	Draftsman, chief	1	0	1
227	Surveyor, party chief	2	0	2
Sergeant				
810	Supply	1	0	1
288	Instrumentman	2	0	2
107	Lithographer, plate grainer	1	0	1
324	Storekeeper	3	0	3
259	Water Supply engineer	1	0	1
General				
405	Clerk, Company	1	0	1
405	Clerk, General	1	0	1
810	Camouflour	6	0	6
Technician Grade 3				
073	Draftsman, electrical	0	1	1
076	Draftsman, topographic	0	1	1
083	Laboratory Technician	0	1	1
107	Lithographer, photo transferer	0	1	1
143	Photographer, copy camera	0	1	1
167	Pressman, rotary, lithographic	0	1	1
Technician Grade 4				
060	Cook	3	0	3
814	Automobile Mechanic	0	1	1
810	Camouflour	0	1	1
930	Carpenter, general	0	1	1
071	Draftsman, mechanical	0	1	1
076	Draftsman, topographic	0	1	1

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		Personnel Required for Units 29S Manned	25S 2nd Bn.	Personnel Required for Units 29S Manned
003	Laboratory technician	0	1	1
107	Lithographer, Photo Transferer	0	1	1
153	Photographer, copy camera	0	1	1
167	Pressman, rotary, lithographic	0	1	1
Technician Grade 4				
060	Cook	3	0	3
090	Carpenter, general	1	1	2
098	Electrician	1	1	2
242	Toolroom keeper	1	0	1
864	Automobile Mechanic	0	1	1
800	Camouflaur	0	1	1
405	Clerk, General	0	1	1
323	Clerk, Stock record	0	1	1
055	Cutter, paper	0	1	1
070	Draftsman	0	1	1
109	Draftsman, Lithographic	0	1	1
076	Draftsman, Topographic	0	1	1
081	Engineman, gas, oil & gasoline	0	1	1
107	Lithographer, plate grainer	0	1	1
144	Painter, General	0	1	1
153	Photographer, copy camera	0	1	1
228	Recorder, topographic	0	1	1
243	Topographic computer	0	1	1
345	Truck driver, light	0	1	1
083	Water Supply engineer	0	1	1
Private				
055	Clerk, General	2	0	2
521	Cook's helper	4	0	4
345	Truck driver, light	2	10	12
803	Bugler	0	1	1
800	Camouflaur	0	3	3
090	Carpenter, general	0	4	4
323	Clerk, stock record	0	2	2
107	Lithographer, Photo Transferer	0	1	1
121	Mechanic, general	0	1	1
695	Orderly	0	1	1
144	Painter, General	0	1	1
153	Photographer, copy camera	0	1	1
189	Rigger	0	1	1
	Total	53	59	112

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
MARINE AVIATION CAMOUFLAGE BATTALION

		Personnel Required for Units 25% Manned	25% 2nd No.	Personnel Required for Units 50% Manned
Master Sgt				
908	Sgt Major	1	0	1
First Sergeant				
985	First Sergeant	5	0	5
Technical Sergeant				
813	Motor Sgt	1	0	1
816	Personnel Sgt	1	0	1
821	Supply Sgt	1	0	1
800	Camouflour	4	0	4
Staff Sgt				
800	Camouflour	19	0	19
824	Mess Sergeant	5	0	5
Sergeant				
800	Camouflour	32	0	32
813	Motor Sgt	5	0	5
821	Supply Sgt	6	0	6
Corporal				
885	Clerk	5	0	5
860	Cook	11	0	11
374	Stock Control Clerk	1	0	1
324	Stock Clerk	1	0	1
695	Clerk General	3	0	3
870	Draftsman General	4	4	8
814	Auto Mechanic	0	5	5
804	Camouflour	0	30	30
890	Carpenter General	0	15	15
121	Mechanics General	0	4	4
695	Orderly	0	7	7
144	Painter General	0	15	15
189	Rigger General	0	3	3
321	Basics	3	25	28
	Total	108	108	216

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (2-17-43) CR-I-AFPU-M, subject as above, dated February 18, 1943 be rescinded.

II. That the following units now on the inactive list be activated and assigned to the Third Air Force, effective March 1, 1943 as indicated:

Unit	Station	S/O
Hq. 80th Observation Group	Fort Myers, Fla.	1-12, July 1, 1942
9th Observation Sq		1-27, July 1, 1942 (and all changes)
104th Observation Sq		1-27, July 1, 1942 (and all changes)
119th Observation Sq		1-27, July 1, 1942 (and all changes)
126th Observation Sq		1-27, July 1, 1942 (and all changes)
Hq. 65th Observation Group	AAB, Columbia, S.C.	1-112, July 1, 1942 (and all changes)
18th Observation Sq		1-127, July 1, 1942
108th Observation Sq		1-127, July 1, 1942

1. The tables of organization listed above will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Third Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. The 80th Obs[illegible] will have a C-1-1094 and the 65th

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Conservation Group a C-1-1085 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with TBA #1, July 1, 1943 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

6. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

	Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
89th Obs Sq	April 1, 1943 (See Incl #1)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl #1)	May 25, 1943
65th Obs Sq	April 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 25, 1943

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFHAO, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

9. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Dispatched
MAR 5 1943
AAG

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Support, February 28, 1943 and is necessary in view of impending re-organization of Observation Aviation, and is in order to consolidate Fighter and Medium Bombardment combat crew training within the Third Air Force OTU and RTU establishments. Pending approval of tables of organization for Observation units, which will be organized along the lines of medium bombardment and fighter units, it is necessary that these units use a medium bombardment and fighter table of organization for this activation. Letter rescinded in Paragraph I directed activation of these two Groups under Observation tables of organization. The 112th and 121st Observation Squadrons are to remain on the inactive list for the present since all liaison personnel are in these two Squadrons. Plans are being made to transfer all of this liaison personnel to the Army Ground Forces. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units now on the inactive list, be activated and assigned to the Third Air Force, effective March 1, 1943, as indicated:

Unit	Station	T/O to be Organized under
Hq, 89th Observation Gp	Godman Field,	1-283, Aug. 15, 1942
9th Observation Sq	Ft. Knox, Ky.	1-287, July 1, 1942
104th Observation Sq		1-287, July 1, 1942
119th Observation Sq		1-287, July 1, 1942
126th Observation Sq		1-287, July 1, 1942
Hq, 85th Observation Gp	Laurel, Miss.	1-283, Aug. 15, 1942
15th Observation Sq		1-287, July 1, 1942
106th Observation Sq		1-287, July 1, 1942
112th Observation Sq		1-287, July 1, 1942
121st Observation Sq		1-287, July 1, 1942

2. The tables of organization listed above will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The Third Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

5. The 89th Observation Group will have a C-1-1064 and the 85th Observation Group a C-1-1065 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

6. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

7. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable

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according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
April 1, 1943 (See Incl.)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl.)	May 25, 1943

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-5A will be complied with immediately.

8. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Support, February 11, 1943. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULES & OBSERVATION GROUP

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AAF Personnel	Personnel in Units 20% Manned (Unit, 0-30 Days)			Personnel in Units 80% Manned (Unit, 0-30 Days)		
OFFICERS	Sq	1 Sq	Sq & 4 Sqs	Sq	1 Sq	Sq & 4 Sqs
2 Engine Pilot	8	2	13	8	4	21
1 Engine Pilot	0	2	8	0	4	16
Observer	5	0	5	5	2	13
Engineering	1	1(a)	3	1	1(a)	5
Armament	0	0	0	0	1(b)	1
Weather	1	0	1	1	1	5
Communications	2	1	6	2	1	6
Photographic	0	1	4	0	1	4
Statistical	2	0	2	2	0	2
All other Officers	1	2	11	1	4	16
Total Officers (AS)	19	9	83	19	19	90
ENLISTED MEN						
Administrative and Technical Clerk	33	6	57	44	33	176
Cryptographer	1	0	1	4	0	4
Draftsman	1	0	1	1	1	5
Airplane Armorer	1	1	5	1	1	5
Airplane Armorer - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Air Forces Radio Mechanic	0	1	4	0	2	8
Air Forces Radio Operator	0	1	4	0	2	8
Air Forces Radio Operator and Mechanic	3	1	7	9	1	13
Air Forces Radio Operator - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Radio Mechanic (F)	0	0	0	0	1	4
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	0	1(a)	2	0	1	4
Teletypewriter Mechanic	1	1(a)	3	1	1	5
Aerial Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Enlisted Liaison Pilot - Mechanic	0	2	8	0	4	16
Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic	2	11	46	2	11	46
Airplane Electrical Specialist	0	1	4	0	1	4
Airplane Instrument Specialist	0	1	4	0	1	4
Airplane Propeller Specialist	0	1	4	0	1	4
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	0	0	0	0	1(a)	2
Army Airplane Depo and Fabric Worker	0	0	0	0	1	4
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	0	1	4	0	1	4
Welder	0	0	0	0	1	4
Cook - Baker	2	3	14	2	5	22
Camera Technician	0	0	0	0	1	4
Photographic Laboratory Technician	0	2	8	0	3	12
Automotive Equipment Mechanic	2	1	6	2	3	14
Automotive Equipment Operator	4	3	16	4	5	24
Heavy Automotive Equipment Operator	0	2	8	0	4	16
Carpenter	0	0	0	0	1	4

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AAF Personnel	Personnel in Units [illegible] Manned			Personnel in Units [illegible] Manned		
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible] (Contd)						
All Other Enlisted Men Group	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total Enlisted Men (AC)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
OTHER ARMY AIR SERVICES						
OFFICERS						
Corps of Chaplains	1	0	1	1	0	1
Medical Department	1	0	1	2	1(a)	2
Ordnance Department	0	1(b)	1	0	1(a)	2
Total Officers	2	1	3	3	2	5
[illegible]						
Chemical Warfare Service	0	0	0	0	1	4
Medical Department	3	0	3	3	4	10
Ordnance Department	0	0	0	0	4	14
Total Enlisted Men	3	0	3	3	9	28
AGGREGATE STRENGTH						
Officers	21	10	36	27	21	35
Enlisted Men	96	45	320	76	106	456

Notes (a) One for two Squadrons
(b) One for four Squadrons

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Hq. 422nd Observation Group.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq. 422nd Observation Group be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics at Gainesville, Florida immediately.

1. The attached tentative manning table will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. Equipment will be in accordance with TBA #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFHAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

6. This unit will have a A-1-1086 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

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6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and requests from AFSAM, February 4, 1943 and AFSAS, February 9, 1943, and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Air Support Department, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics. Personnel for this unit will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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BASIC RADIO TABLE, HEADQUARTERS, ORIENTATION GROUP

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
UNIT		Group Staff				Special Staff			
	Command	Personnel	Intelligence	Operations	Materiel	Communications		TOTAL	
Colonel	1							1	
Lt. Colonel	1							1	
Major			1	2[a]	1	1		5	
Captain		1						1	
Total Officer Personnel	2	1	1	2	1	1		8	
Master Sergeant, including				1	1	1		3	
Communications Chief (542)						(1)		(1)	
Administrative (582)				(1)				(1)	
Airplane Inspector (813)					(1)			(1)	
First Sergeant (598)		1						1	
Technical Sergeant, including		1	1					2	
Administrative (582)		(1)	(1)					(2)	
Staff Sergeant, including				1		1		2	
Administrative (582)				(1)				(1)	
Radio repairman (174)						(1)		(1)	
Sergeant, including			1		1	2		4	
Clerk, technical (821)					(1)			(1)	
Administrative (802)			(1)			(1)		(2)	
Radio operator (177)						(1)		(1)	
Corporal, including		1		1	1	2		5	
Clerk, general (885)		(1)			(1)			(2)	
Draftsman (870)				(1)				(1)	
Operator, teletype (228)						(1)		(1)	
Radio operator (177)						(1)		(1)	
Privates including		1		1				2	
Clerk-typist (405)		(1)		(1)				(2)	
TOTAL ENLISTED	-	4	2	4	3	7		20	
AGGREGATE	2	5	3	6	4	8		28	

a One operations officer, one liaison officer
b Executive

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES, Washington, D. C. FEB 20 1943
TO: The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

1. I concur in the comments made in basic memorandum and in both the basic concept and the details outlined in the proposed study.

2. My personal observations in the continental United States and in our overseas theaters have convinced me that the integration of the Antiaircraft Artillery and the Air Forces will increase our combat effectiveness by providing unified air defense, exploiting the capabilities and minimizing the limitations of both Fighter Aviation and Antiaircraft Artillery. The basic fact that the primary mission of these two combat arms is the same and that they are elements of an air defense team in the great majority of combat situations is inescapable.

3. I believe that the obvious disadvantages of such an integration are outweighed by the advantages.

4. Although the proposed integration would add an additional responsibility to the Air Forces, I can foresee no major difficulties.

5. In the interest of a more vigorous prosecution of the war effort, I recommend the transfer of the Antiaircraft Artillery to the Air Forces be effected at the earliest practicable date.

H. H. ARNOLD,
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army,
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

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Integration of Antiaircraft Artillery with the Air Forces.

Commanding General, AAF Thru: Chief of the Air Staff 2-15-43

Director of Air Defense 1

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1. Attached is a G-3 WDGS study recommending integration of Antiaircraft with the Air Forces.

2. The study is based on the logic of placing elements with a common mission under one head for training, and, generally for operations. Accompanying papers indicate that the Air Forces can absorb the Antiaircraft with a minimum of initial dislocation and a maximum of early benefit. Your headquarters would require the addition of an Antiaircraft Directorate on the same level with other type directorates, and the addition of antiaircraft staff officers to divisions of the policy staff. An Antiaircraft Training Command would be required. This command already exists and would require virtually no alteration. The development of antiaircraft materiel and the supply of antiaircraft equipment is a function of SOS and would remain unchanged for the present. A practicable method by which the Ground Forces can utilize Air Forces antiaircraft units is suggested. The study is careful and complete in its details. Both Air Forces and antiaircraft artillery considerations lead naturally to the proposed integration.

3. A suggested indorsement to the proposal has been prepared for your signature and is attached. This paper has been coordinated by all interested Air Force agencies including the Air Staff.

Incl:
As stated above.

GORDON P. SAVILLE,
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 416th and 417th Night Fighter Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 416th and 417th Night Fighter Squadrons be constituted and activated immediately by the Commandant, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics at Orlando, Florida and prepared for movement to a Port of Embarkation by April 1, 1943.

1. Table of Organization 1-67, dated October 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

3. The Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. These units should be brought to full T/O strength not later than March 15, 1943.

5. These units will have an A-2 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

6. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

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7. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 28, 1942.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the Commandant, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics be notified of this action by confidential radiogram immediately.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commandant, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Defense, February 8, 1943. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 30th Antisubmarine Communication Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 30th Antisubmarine Communication Squadron be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command at Mitchel Field, New York immediately.

1. Table of Organization 1-1017, February 1, 1943 will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit and will have an authorized strength as follows:

	Officers	W.O.	E.M.
1 Squadron Headquarters	3	1	5
12 Class A Stations	12		120
9 Class B Stations			45
9 Class X Stations			54
Total	15	1	224

Authorized enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation.

4. Equipment will be in accordance with TE 1-1017, dated February 1, 1943.

5. This unit will have a C-1-1089 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with

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immediately.

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #276, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command (Airmail Special Delivery)
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, January 16, 1943, was co-ordinated by AFRDB (Colonel Lyon), February 13, 1943, and is necessary in order that a satisfactory communications system may be set up for the Antisubmarine Command. To date, approximately one half dozen radio installations are in use by this Command and equipment has been either secured already or is under procurement for future stations. The existing stations are manned by personnel attached to the Hq Sq, Antisubmarine Command. Proper operating personnel have been extremely difficult to obtain because there has been no authority on which to base requisitions. Station of activation was furnished by the Antisubmarine Command (Captain Adams) after

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 30th Antisubmarine Communication Squadron.

co-ordination of the First Air Force. Personnel for this unit will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Reduction in AAF Tables of Organization

TO: Director of Management Control

DATE Feb. 16, 1943

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff

COMMENT NO. 4
WKH:JT 5246

Action directed by basic memorandum is reassigned to your division.

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WILLIAM H. HALL,
Colonel, G. S. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 16th Army Air Forces Photo Intelligence Detachment.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 16th Army Air Forces Photo Intelligence Detachment be constituted and activated immediately by the Commanding Officer, Army Air Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado with an authorized strength of nine officers and thirteen enlisted men and assigned to the Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

1. The attached tentative table of organization will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding Officer, Army Air Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado, under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of this unit.

3. The Commanding Officer, Army Air Base, Colorado Springs, Colorado will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. This unit will have a C-1-1417 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

6. A special list of equipment will be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography, 2 copies only, for submission to the Director of Base Services). Equipment in the special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

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8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN F. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Photography, November 20, 1942 and approved by A-2, December 21 and A-3, December 31, 1942. When the Photo Squadrons arrive in the field, it is anticipated that they will have attached to them Forward Interpretation Units to do First Phase Photo Interpretation. In order to give these Photo Squadrons the maximum amount of training, it is therefore necessary to activate this unit which is similar to that which they will work with in the field. Personnel for this unit will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Determination of Maximum Garrison Strengths.

General Hanley 2/11/43

Director of Military Requirements .4

1. **Noted.** AFDMR HWB:ha 3487

2. With reference to the statement made in Paragraph 2 of basic communication, "Specifically, the committee will determine and allocate from available means the forces which should be deployed in each of the following areas to satisfy our present strategic concept:", it is desired to point out that the Anti-Submarine Command will cover all theatres and should be given full consideration in this study.

DAVENPORT JOHNSON,
Major General, U. S. Army.

Incl: n/c

TO: Operational Plans - Colonel M. L. Loutzenheiser DATE 15 Feb. 43

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff COMMENT NO. 5
MAL/mdg/5265

1. The Deputy Chief of the Air Staff desires that Colonel Loutzenheiser note the attached and the preceding comment.

2. Return of this paper to this office is requested.

Incl. n/c

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Lieut. Colonel, G. S. C.

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Determination of Maximum Garrison Strengths.

General Hanley 2/11/43

General Stratemeyer 1

For your information and the information of any other members of the Staff that you deem should see the attached directive from General Handy, subject: Determination of Maximum Garrison Strengths.

G.E.S.

Incl: Cpy of memo Col. Bessell, 2/10/43
frm Gen. Handy re above subj.

TO: General O.A. Anderson, Colonel A.L. Moore,
General Davenport Johnson, General Hanley IN TURN

DATE 11 February 1943

COMMENT NO. 2

FROM: General Hanley

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1. To note.

2. It is requested that this communication be passed by hand as expeditiously as possible.

Incl: n/c

T. J. HANLEY, JR.,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

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Subject: Re-Organization of an Army Air Forces Unit.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 20th Fighter Control Squadron be re-organized by the Commanding General, First Air Force in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, December 11, 1942 as follows:

	Officers	E.M.
1 Basic	24	222
1 G.C.I. Control Team (Col. 19)	2	4
8 D/F Teams (Col. 20)		80
2 Radio Relay Teams (Col. 22)	—	20
Total	26	296

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The First Air Force will supply fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 129 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and all authorized changes thereto.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, January 19, 1943 and February 6, 1943 and is necessary for the efficient operation of this unit. The 20th Fighter Control Squadron is scheduled to operate a VHF Fighter Control System in the Norfolk Air Defense Wing. A project outlining the VHF equipment to be installed in the Norfolk Region has already been approved by the War Department General Staff. In general, equipment will be installed as follows:

a. Fighter Control Center - Langley Field
b. Main transmitting and receiving station - approximately 1,000 ft. from the Fighter Control Center.
c. Relay Stations - one near Richmond, Va., another at the Norfolk Information Center.
d. Fixed D/F Stations - near Johnstown, Va., at Hayes Store, Va., at Virginia Beach, Va., near Sunbury, N. C., and on Powells Point, N.C.
e. Homing D/F Stations - one at Langley Field, Va., another at Richmond.
f. Mobile D/F Station - general use within the entire area.
g. G.C.I. Station - specific site not yet definitely determined — in the general vicinity of Langley Field, Va.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics at Gainesville, Florida immediately:

Unit	Organized under
Hq. 415th Bombardment Group (D)	Tentative Manning Table (copy attached)
667th Bombardment Squadron (D)	T/O 1-147, July 1, 1942

2. The tables listed above will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. The Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

6. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

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6. These units will have an A-8(a)-213 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942 and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #205, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Att:
Tentative M/T

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Support, January 30, 1943 and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Air Support Department, AAF School of Applied Tactics. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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ARMY AIR FORCES SCHOOL OF APPLIED TACTICS
Office of the Assistant Commandant
Air Support Department
Orlando, Florida

January 22, 1943.

MANNING TABLE, HEADQUARTERS, BOMBARDMENT GROUP

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
UNIT	Group Staff						
	Command	Personnel	Operations	Intelligence	Material	Individual Services	TOTAL
Colonel	1						1
Lt. Colonel			1				1
Major		1		1	1	1	4
Captain			1	1			2
TOTAL OFFICER PERSONNEL	1	1	2	2	1	1	8
Master Sergeant, including		1	1	1	1	1	5
Sergeant Major (502)		(1)					(1)
Communications Chief (542)						(1)	(1)
Clerk, Administrative (502)			(1)	(1)			(2)
Shipplane Inspector (513)					(1)		(1)
Technical Sergeant, including		1	2		1		4
Clerk, administrative (502)		(1)	(2)				(3)
Armorer (511)					(1)		(1)
Staff Sergeant, including		2		2	2	1	7
Clerk, administrative (502)		(2)		(2)	(2)		(6)
Radio Repairman (178)						(1)	(1)
Sergeant, including						2	2
Administrative (502)						(1)	(1)
Radio Operator (177)						(1)	(1)
Corporal, including						3	3
Operator, teletype (239)						(1)	(1)
Radio operator (177)						(2)	(2)
TOTAL ENLISTED PERSONNEL		4	3	3	4	7	21
AGGREGATE	1	5	5	5	5	8	29

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February 16, 1943.

Major General B. K. Yount,
Flying Training Command,
Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear General Yount:

With respect to the manning table studies prepared in your three training centers and the service tests under way at five types of schools, I believe your plan is sound and will look for a resume of your conclusions shortly after March 10.

While Henderson was here, he requested that the allotments of enlisted personnel for your presently assigned program be reduced by 15%. I gather from your letter that the tests under way will result in a substantially greater saving than 15%.

The serious manner in which you have approached the subject of manpower saving indicates that you are conscious of the acute shortage of men available for combat units and the importance of efficiently utilizing all available personnel. I am gratified at the 15% saving assured by Henderson and am certain General Arnold will be pleased with the prospect of obtaining further reductions.

Your Command is to be complimented upon the excellent results thus far achieved, and I shall look forward with interest to a report on your further accomplishments. In this connection, Colonel B. E. Gates, Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, Management Control, has been charged with the responsibility of monitoring manpower savings throughout the Army Air Forces, and any questions concerning this program should be directed to his attention.

Sincerely,

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GEORGE E. STRATEMEYER,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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Cutting of Personnel for the Southeast and West Pacific.

Colonel Gates, Director of Management Control 2/12/43

General Stratemeyer 1.

1. I received a letter from General Yount dated February 9, extracts of which I quote herewith:

"As to the delay in receiving our recommendations on plans for the West Coast and Southeast in the cutting of personnel, an officer from this Staff, Lieutenant Colonel O. E. Henderson, is now in your office with the tables which have been submitted by all three of the Training Centers.

"As you probably know, there are five different types of schools in the Gulf Coast Training Center which are undergoing a service test this month. I have directed that that test be completed by February 28, and that the final report be submitted to to me by the 10th of March. I felt that this was much the best way to handle this situation, and that we could give you a result in which we would be reasonably certain that we were cutting the personnel as much as possible, without hurting the War Effort. I am certain that is what General Arnold would want. The real test was planned and is now being made in the Gulf Coast Training Center. At each of the fields now undergoing test, there are representatives of the Southeast and West Coast Training Centers, so that they are keeping their own Training Centers informed of the results. I feel that by the time the service test is completed, they will have a good answer for all three Training Centers. I might add that the final results will give a considerably greater cut to all of our activities than recommended by either the Gulf Coast or Southeast Training Centers.

"When I was last in Washington, I talked to McNarney on this subject, and I had written to him previously. He is, therefore, familiar with the service test idea. If the dates given you above are too far in the future, let me know and I will get the results out even sooner, but I do advocate that we give the project a good service test. We have already ascertained that several mistakes were made when the original Manning Table was submitted by the Gulf Coast Training Center. I can assure you that a good, substantial cut is going to be made."

2. It is desired that you prepare reply for my signature answering the questions that he raises.

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GEORGE E. STRATEMEYER,
Major General, U.S.A.,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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Cutting of Personnel for the Southeast and West Pacific.

General Stratemeyer — 2/16/43

Colonel Gates, Director of Management Control — 2

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In compliance with comment No. 1, letter for your signature is attached.

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Letter to General Yount.

BYRON E. GATES
Colonel, Air Corps

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the commanders indicated:

Unit	Station	Activated by CG and Assigned to	Effective Date of Activation
Hq, 394th Bombardment Gp (M) 584th Bombardment Sq (M) 585th Bombardment Sq (M) 586th Bombardment Sq (M) 587th Bombardment Sq (M)	MacDill Field, Florida	Third Air Force	March 5, 1943
Hq, 398th Bombardment Gp (Hy) 600th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 601st Bombardment Sq (Hy) 602nd Bombardment Sq (Hy) 603rd Bombardment Sq (Hy)	Ephrata, Wash.	Second Air Force	March 1, 1943
Hq, 399th Bombardment Gp (Hy) 604th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 605th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 606th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 607th Bombardment Sq (Hy)	Davis-Monthan Field, Arizona	Second Air Force	March 1, 1943
Hq, 400th Bombardment Gp (Hy) 608th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 609th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 610th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 611th Bombardment Sq (Hy)	Pyote, Texas	Second Air Force	March 1, 1943
Hq, 441st Bombardment Gp (Hy) 676th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 677th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 678th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 679th Bombardment Sq (Hy)	Davis-Monthan Field, Arizona	Second Air Force	March 1, 1943
Hq & Hq Sq, 44th Bombardment Wing (Hy)	Salt Lake City, Utah	Second Air Force	March 1, 1943

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Unit	Station	Activated by CG and Assigned to	Effective Date of Activation
Hq & Hq Sq, 45th Bombardment Wing (M)	MacDill Field, Florida	Third Air Force	April 1, 1943
7th Heavy Bombardment Processing Hq	Army Air Base, Kearney, Neb.	Second Air Force	Immediately

1. The following tables will be used as guides in the organization of these units; specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication:

Heavy Bombardment Processing Hq — W/T 1-3101, Jan. 25, 1943
Hq, Bombardment Groups (Hv) and (M) — T/O 1-112, July 1, 1942
Bombardment Squadrons (Hv) — T/O 1-117, July 1, 1942
Bombardment Squadrons (M) — T/O 1-127, July 1, 1942
Hq & Hq Sq, Bombardment Wings (Hv) and (M) — T/O 1-110-1, November 21, 1942.

The 441st Bombardment Group (M) will be organized under the tables of organization listed above until such time as new tables of organization are approved.

2. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of each units.

3. The Air Force concerned will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. These units will have the following priority ratings for controlled items of equipment:

394th Bombardment Group (M)	C-1-1418
398th Bombardment Group (Hv)	C-1-1419
399th Bombardment Group (Hv)	C-1-1420
400th Bombardment Group (Hv)	C-1-1421
441st Bombardment Group (Hv)	C-1-1422
444th Bombardment Wing (Hv)	C-1-1423
45th Bombardment Wing (M)	C-1-1424
7th Heavy Bombardment Processing Hq	C-1-1425

5. Organization will be according to the following schedule as nearly as practicable, and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

	Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
394th Bombardment Group (M)	April 5, 1943 (See Incl #1)	May 5, 1943 (See Incl #1)	May 30, 1943
398th Bombardment Group (Hv)	April 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 25, 1943

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	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
399th Bombardment Group (Hy)	April 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 25, 1943
400th Bombardment Group (Hy)	April 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 25, 1943
44lst Bombardment Group (Hy)	April 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl #2)	May 25, 1943
44th Bombardment Wing (Hy)	- - - - - - -	- - - - - - -	(Scheduled for shipment in July, 1943)
45th Bombardment Wing (M)	- - - - - - -	- - - - - - -	(Scheduled for shipment in August, 1943)

6. Except for the 7th Heavy Bombardment Processing Sq, equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942. This unit will be equipped in accordance with a special list submitted by the Commanding General, Second Air Force to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Base Services) - 2 copies, only.

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAO, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942 and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That Paragraph 2 of letter AG 320.2 (9-28-42) OB-I-AF-M, subject "Organization of Certain Bombardment Groups (Hy)", September 30, 1942 be amended to show the column designated as "Station" to read "Permanent Station".

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance

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Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and requests from the Director of Bombardment, February 3, 1943 and the Commanding General, Second Air Force, February 1, 1943. The 441st Bombardment Group (Hy) will be a B-29 Group and new tables of organization are being processed for this type of unit. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Fighter Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted and activated by the Commanding General, Third Air Force for assignment as indicated immediately:

Unit	Station	Assigned to	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
438th Fighter Sq	Ft. Meyer, Fla.	83rd Fighter Gp	A-7(d)-142
439th Fighter Sq	Dale Mabry Field, Tallahassee, Fla.	III Fighter Command	G-1-1408
440th Fighter Sq	Sarasota, Florida	337th Fighter Gp	A-7(d)-13
441st Fighter Sq	Dale Mabry Field, Tallahassee, Fla.	338th Fighter Gp	A-7(d)-14

2. Table of Organization 1-27, July 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The Third Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12 and 15-108, December 15, 1942 and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army

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Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Defense, February 1, 1943, and conforms with the plan to activate a fourth squadron for R.T.U. Fighter Groups. The 439th Fighter Squadron is assigned to the III Fighter Command and is in lieu of a fourth squadron for the 56th Fighter Group (coordination with the III Fighter Command accomplished verbally). This Squadron is to be used for the processing of trainees who are to enter the R.T.U. system and also for the further training of pilots who have graduated from R.T.U. and are awaiting orders. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Platoons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (1-7-43) OB-I-AF-M, dated January 9, 1943, subject as above, be amended as follows:

"Delete Inclosure #1 and substitute Inclosure herewith submitted".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Same as original letter.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Reference is made to Routing and Record Sheet, Air Defense to Program Planning, dated February 2, 1943, subject: "Amendment of War Department Letter". This action is necessary to correct inclosure which was published omitting certain reference details.

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SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING REPORTING

PLATOONS ALLOTMENT OF SPECIALISTS, OFFICER'S RANKS AND RELISTED GRADES

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Unit	Operating increment	Installation and maintenance increment	Total platoon	Attached medical	Aggregate	Cadre
OFFICERS:						
Captain, including	1		1		1	
Platoon commander (0210)	(1)		(1)		(1)	
First lieutenant, including		1	1		1	1
Aircraft warning reporting equipment (0110)		(1)	(1)		(1)	(1)
Second lieutenant, including		1	1		1	
Radio officer, general (0500)		(1)	(1)		(1)	
Total commissioned	1	2	3		3	1
Warrant officer (f)		1	1		1	
ENLISTED MEN:						
Master Sergeant, including		1	1		1	1
Radar repairman (775)		(1)	(1)		(1)	(1)
Staff sergeant		3	3		3	2
Chief electrician (078)		(1)	(1)		(1)	(1)
Chief radio repairman (174)		(1)	(1)		(1)	(1)
Radar repairman (77)		(1)	(1)		(1)	
Sergeant, including	6	1	7		7	3
Chief radar operator (774)	(1)		(1)		(1)	(1)
Chief radio operator (766)	(1)		(1)		(1)	(1)
Chief rigger (189)		(1)	(1)		(1)	
Supply, MOS (821)	(1)		(1)		(1)	
Technician grade 3, including		1	1		1	
Radar repairman (775)		(1)	(1)		(1)	
Technician grade 4, including	1	8	9		9	3
Automatic telephone system maintenance man (115)		(1)	(1)		(1)	(1)
Cook (060)		(1)	(1)		(1)	(1)
Electrician (078)		(1)	(1)		(1)	
Powerhouse engineer (077)		(1)	(1)		(1)	
Radar repairman (775)		(2)	(2)		(2)	
Radio operator, high speed (766)	(1)		(1)		(1)	
Radio repairman (174)		[b](2)	(2)		(2)	
Rigger (189)		(1)	(1)		(1)	
Technician grade 5, including	3	13	16	1	17	
Automatic telephone system maintenance man (115)		(2)	(2)		(2)	
Cook (060)	(1)		(1)		(1)	

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SIGNAL AIRCRAFT WARNING REPORTING PLATOON
ALLOTMENT OF SPECIALISTS, OFFICER'S RANKS AND ENLISTED GRADES

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Unit	Operating personnel	Installation and maintenance personnel	Total platoon	Attached medical	Aggregate	Cadre
Medical technician (409)		(2)	(2)	(1)	(1)	
Powerhouse engineer (077)		(2)	(2)			
Radar repairman (775)						
Radio operator, high speed (766)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Radio repairman (174)		(2)	(2)		(2)	
Rigger (189)		(2)	(2)		(2)	
Private, first class, including		4	4		4	
Automobile Mechanic (014)	10	6	16		16	
Clerk, general (095)	(1)		(1)		(1)	
Clerk, supply (095)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Radar operator (514)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Radio operator, low speed (776)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Rigger (189)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Tractor driver (244)		(4)	(4)		(4)	
Private, including	(1)		(1)	1	(2)	
Cook's helper (521)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Guard-patrolman (522)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Medical technician (409)				(1)	(1)	
Radar Operator (514)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Truck driver, light (345)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Radio (521)	(2)		(2)		(2)	
Total enlisted	42	32	74	2	76	9
Aggregate	42	36	78	2	80	10
0 Gun, Carbine, cal. .30			4			
0 Gun, machine, cal. .50			4			
0 Mount, machine gun, antiaircraft, cal. .50			1			
0 Rifle, automatic, cal. .30, with bipod mount			2			
0 Tractor, M-1			1			
0 Trailer, 1 ton, 2 wheel			1			
0 Truck, 1/4 ton			2			

0 Truck, 3/4 ton, weapons carrier
0 Truck, 2-1/2 ton, with winch

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a. All specialists indicated as Installation Increment are also required to operate and maintain the equipment following installation.

b. Also trained as electricians (078)

c. Two (2) also trained as electricians (078)

d. Also trained as radar operators (514)

e. Also truck driver, light (345)

f. Warrant officer - chief grade - Technical Specialist, graduate of Aircraft Warning School.

The serial number symbol shown in parenthesis is an inseparable part of the specialist designation and refers to a civilian or military occupational specialist listed in Army Regulation number 615-26, dated September 15, 1942.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Paragraph I of letter AG 320.2 (11-11-42) OB-I-AF-M, subject as above, dated November 12, 1942 be amended to show the 375th Troop Carrier Group activated at "Bowman Field, Louisville, Kentucky" instead of "Del Valle Army Air Base, Austin, Texas".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with requests from the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command, December 31 and War Organization and Movement, January 5, 1943, and is necessary for the correction of records.

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SUBJECT: pnc Excessive Personnel in Overhead Installations

TO: Chief of the Air Staff

DATE Feb. 6, 1943

FROM: Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, Management Control

COMMENT NO. 1
FRS:pr 4775

1. Pursuant to the provisions of AGO letter (AG 320.2 (11-4-42) OB-I-A), on November 16 each of the Army Air Force Commands and the Second and Third Air Forces were directed to submit reports by January 20 with respect to the more effective use of personnel of tactical units as a means of reducing station complements.

2. Responses to the AAF directive, which quoted The Adjutant General's letter in full, have been summarized in the report attached (Tab A). Reports have been received from both Air Forces, the Troop Carrier Command, and from the Air Service Command covering only the IV Air Service Area Command. No replies have been received from the other commands. As indicated on Tab A, the reductions effected by the Third Air Force (666 men) and the Troop Carrier Command (421 men) represent percentagewise, an infinitesimal saving.

3. This office, pursuant to directives received, participated in studies, conducted in November and December by the Gulf Coast Training Center, designed to effect savings in personnel by the substitution of exact manning tables for troop allotments based upon tables of organization under the 75,000 PTP. A report (Tab B) upon the participation by representatives of this office was forwarded to you on January 4. It was understood when this report was submitted that the conclusions of Flying Training Command with respect to the exact manning table studies conducted by the Gulf Coast Training Center, and of studies simultaneously conducted in the Southeast and the West Coast Training Centers would be made to Headquarters, Army Air Forces, by the middle of January. This office has been informally advised that, while the manning table studies conducted by the Gulf Coast Training Center indicated the possibility of substantial savings, the Southeast and West Coast studies pointed toward no such saving. To resolve the question, Flying Training Command has ordered the Gulf Coast Training Center to test its manning table estimates in one of each of five types of schools. These trials commenced February 1, and the results thereof should be known in the next few weeks.

4. In view of the unsatisfactory reports (both in number and results shown) received in response to the AAF letter of November 16 (Tab A), this office, with the concurrence of the Chief of the Air Staff, has directed the Troop Carrier Command, Second Air Force, Third Air Force, Technical Training Command, and Air Transport Command to conduct further studies with the view of determining the extent to which savings in military personnel can be accomplished by the substitution of exact manning tables for air base and school squadrons. These directives were accompanied by material developed in the Gulf Coast Flying Training Center survey suggesting the possibility of savings by combining related activities, curtailing over-expansion, eliminating non-essential functions and by the substitution of WAAC's for enlisted men. (Copy of directive and material to Technical Training Command

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attached as sample; see Tab C). In addition to the above-mentioned directives, at a mid-January meeting in Washington of the Commanding Generals of the Commands, the acute shortage of manpower available and suitable for combat units was emphasized; each was directed to give this subject prime consideration, and the advice and assistance of this office was tendered in connection with the further studies which were directed.

5. The November 9 letter of the Adjutant General directed that a report of the progress made in reducing station complements be submitted. Attached is a memorandum to The Adjutant General for your signature.

B L Gates

BYRON E. GATES
Colonel, Air Corps

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Tab A
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General { withdrawn signed by T.J.H and dispatched mab

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TAB A

February 6, 1943

SUMMARY OF REPORTS SUBMITTED IN COMPLIANCE
WITH AAF LETTER OF NOVEMBER 16, 1942

To date reports in compliance with AAF Letter of November 26, 1942 (copy attached) have been submitted by the Second and Third Air Forces, Troop Carrier Command, and the IV Air Service Area Command of the Air Service Command. A summary of these reports follows:

Troop Carrier Command - A survey indicated that the station complement personnel in excess of actual requirements amounted to 421 enlisted men, and these are now being transferred to tactical units of the command. The study is being continued to determine if any additional surplus personnel may be made available from station complements for reassignment.

Second Air Force - The Second Air Force reports that no reduction in station complement by use of personnel from tactical units can be effected for the following reasons:

"a. Tactical units are at the present time manned according to Interim Manning Tables which provide barely enough personnel to carry on their mission of organizing and training new units.

"b. All stations of Second Air Force are operating on a twenty-four hour basis, the requirements of which were not anticipated under present Manning Tables and Tables of Organization.

"c. Tactical units at all stations in Second Air Force are self-sustaining with the exception of normal base supply functions, guard of the base and operation of officers' quarters and mess, personnel for these functions being furnished by the station complement.

"d. The rapid expansion and requirements of the Heavy Bombardment Development Program necessitate that every available individual in parent and staging Heavy Bombardment Groups concentrate solely on the development program twenty-four hours a day. Consequently, this personnel is not available to augment station complement personnel in the performance of strictly housekeeping duties."

It was further pointed out by the Second Air Force that many of their stations are located in isolated, out-of-the-way places, making it impossible to employ civilian help and therefore station complements must of necessity be larger than would be the case if sufficient civilians were available to perform many of the housekeeping and overhead functions. The Second Air Force is definitely of the opinion that only the minimum of personnel is now being used in performance of station complement duties.

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SUMMARY OF REPORTS
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Third Air Force - A comprehensive study is in progress to determine the possible reduction of overhead personnel at each installation of the command. During the month of December a reduction of 666 enlisted men was made. A Board of Officers has been designated to review in detail the station complement needs of each base, and sub-committees of the Board are visiting each main base to determine the personnel requirements and reporting their findings to the Board. A complete report is to be made as a result of the survey in the early part of February. It is anticipated that an Exact Manning Table for each base will be required in order to accomplish the reductions which preliminary studies indicate to be possible.

Fourth Air Service Area Command - The report indicates that no reduction in station complement personnel is possible at installations of the Fourth Air Service Area Command. As a matter of fact, the Sacramento Air Depot at McClellan Field, has reported that present Table of Organization strength for station complement is totally inadequate to meet the needs of the station.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

AAF 320.2 (AFDMC)

November 16, 1942.

SUBJECT: Station Complements

TO: Commanding Generals,
Second and Third Air Forces
all Army Air Forces Commands.

1. Attention is invited to The Adjutant General's immediate action letter of November 9, 1942 (AG 320.2 (11-4-42) OB-I-A) which is quoted in full below:

"1. It has come to the attention of the War Department that the Army is too lavish with personnel for overhead functions and that tactical units expect too much of station complements. The result is that far too much personnel is assigned to overhead and there are continual demands for further increases. The ultimate strength of the Army is dependent upon the manpower available and every man devoted to overhead makes one less soldier available for the combat forces.

2. Apparently the function of station complements is misunderstood by many. To provide station complements of the size necessary to accomplish all overhead duties on posts would necessitate a material reduction in the numbers available for assignment to the field forces. Therefore, the strength of permanent station complements is limited to that necessary for the operation and maintenance of the post when all units of the field forces are absent therefrom.

3. The presence of field force units create requirements for additional personnel for such duties as guard, fatigue, and the operation of utilities. All of these are functions that the units perform for themselves when away from a post, and they are not relieved of such responsibilities by being stationed at a place where a limited station complement is provided. The requirements for housekeeping and related functions that must be performed by field force personnel will be determined by mutual agreement between the senior tactical commander and the post commander, and the personnel will be selected so as to cause minimum interference with combat units.

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Field Force units must consider themselves as self-sufficient units and will not, by their mere presence on a post, demand or expect services that would not otherwise be available to them. Personnel of the field forces will not be placed on permanent special duties of a character that will prevent them from accompanying their unit when it leaves the post on maneuvers or for any other reason.

4. You will take the necessary action to review all allotments for overhead. Where investigation indicates more personnel allotted or assigned than is necessary under the limitation indicated in paragraph 2 above, an immediate reduction will be effected. This action should be continuous, to the end that all overhead activities operate with a minimum of personnel at all times.

5. Reports will be submitted as of December 31, 1942, showing the progress made and the results obtained."

2. It is directed that immediate action be taken to comply with paragraph 4 of the above-quoted letter. Not later than January 20, 1943, a full report of the action taken and results obtained will be submitted to this headquarters to the attention of the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Management Control.

By command of Lieutenant General ARNOLD:

Fred C. Milner

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The Chief of the Air Staff 1-4-43

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Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Management Control

1. Pursuant to the provisions of letter of November 9, 1942 (copy attached) from the Commanding General, A.A.F., to the Commanding General, Gulf Coast Training Center, subject same as above, a delegation of officers from Management Control left Washington November 11 for Randolph Field to perform the mission assigned.

2. The delegation stopped en route at Fort Worth, apprized the Chief of Staff, Flying Training Command, of its objectives, and received background material which was subsequently considered as the study progressed.

3. Upon arrival at Randolph Field, the delegation conferred with General Harmon and presented the letter of November 9, 1942. The tender of assistance therein contained was welcomed by the Commanding General, Gulf Coast Training Center, who related his ideas with respect to the manning table study and extended to the delegation every facility for participating in the survey.

4. The ensuing investigation, which included the preparation of manning tables, functional and organization charts for the typical and special installations of the Gulf Coast Training Center and a comparative statement reflecting the anticipated saving in personnel, was substantially completed on December 22. The delegation from Management Control accordingly returned to this Headquarters, with the understanding that General Carter (then Commanding General, Gulf Coast Training Center) would transmit promptly to Headquarters, Flying Training Command at Fort Worth, his conclusions and recommendations developed by the investigation. This office understands that these recommendations have since been sent to the Headquarters, Flying Training Command.

5. Upon completion of the survey in the Gulf Coast Training Center, the representative of this office who headed the delegation stopped in Fort Worth, again conferred with the Chief of Staff of the Flying Training Command, and orally reviewed the results of the survey in advance of the arrival of the tables and charts prepared in the Gulf Coast Training Center. This representative was advised that, in addition to the sutdy made by the Gulf Coast Training Center, the other two training centers in the Flying Training Command has been requested to submit recommendations resulting from similar investigations; that these recommendations would probably not be received in Fort Worth before the 6th or 7th of January; that it might take a week to review the conclusions and recommendations of the three training centers; and that by the middle of January, the final conclusions of the Headquarters, Flying Training Command, with respect to the saving in personnel in its three training centers, may be expected to reach Washington.

BYRON E. GATES
Colonel, Air Corps

1 Attachment
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November 9, 1942

SUBJECT: Excessive Personnel in Overhead Installations

TO: Commanding General, Gulf Coast Training Center
Randolph Field, San Antonio, Texas

1. There is an impending shortage of available manpower to meet the nation's military and civilian needs.

2. It therefore behooves the Army Air Forces to take immediate steps to reduce its personnel requirements to an absolute minimum consistent with the best organizational and administrative practices.

3. As result of a recent conference between you and the Deputy Chief of Staff, you have heretofore been directed to make recommendations to effect a substantial reduction in overhead personnel in your Command.

4. It is desired that this personnel reduction be accomplished as quickly as possible, and to that end, the Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, Management Control, Colonel B. E. Gates, Headquarters Army Air Forces, has been directed to confer with you in regard to this matter and to provide every possible assistance.

5. Colonel B. E. Gates and a staff of officers, especially trained in the field of organization and administration, will report to your Headquarters in a few days and assist you in completing the necessary investigation, and installation of such organizational changes and administrative procedures as are necessary to establish within your Command the most efficient organization possible.

By command of Lieutenant General ARNOLD:

GEORGE E. STRATEMEYER
Major General, U. S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff

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January 22, 1943

Exact Manning Tables.

Commanding General,
Technical Training Command,
Knollwood Field,
Southern Pines, North Carolina.

1. The acute shortage of suitable men available for combat units requires immediate elimination of wasteful practices in the use of personnel.

2. A study conducted recently in one of the training centers of the Flying Training Command indicates that substitution of exact manning tables for present tables of organization will produce a substantial over-all saving in personnel, and that a further saving in military personnel can be effected by the more extensive use of women (WAAC's or civilians) in work now performed by enlisted men.

3. Results of the survey indicate that:

a. Units in excess of actual requirements have been allotted to some stations.

b. The large number of civilians employed at many stations should have resulted in a reduction in enlisted personnel prescribed by Tables of Organization which has not been realized.

c. Tables of Organization for station complements and school units are inefficient because:

(1) They do not always meet the specific needs of particular installations.

(2) The large number of relatively small units, each with its own administrative personnel, results in an unnecessarily large overhead for the station as a whole.

d. A reduction in personnel can be accomplished by:

(1) More efficient utilization of available manpower.

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(2) More efficient organization, operational, and administrative procedure.

(3) Elimination of non-essential functions and curtailment of these functions which have been over-expanded.

(4) Permanent assignment of personnel to duties rather than rotation on a duty roster basis.

4. In view of these findings and the paramount importance of conserving manpower, it is directed that your Command institute immediately a study to determine to what extent reductions in personnel may be obtained by intelligent application of exact Manning Tables in lieu of Tables of Organization for station complements and school units of your Command. A report will be made to this Headquarters on the results of this study by March 1, 1943.

5. Appended hereto are:

a. Memorandum setting forth:

(1) The plan of approach to the Manning table study conducted in the training center, and

(2) The technique which governed that survey.

b. Samples of the forms which were used in the preparation of the manning tables.

c. Copies of certain typical functional and organizational charts submitted by the training center in support of its recommended manning tables. The memorandum, the forms, and the charts are not intended as standards to govern your survey, but simply as suggestions which may be helpful in your approach to the problem and the development of your own forms and technique.

6. Staff Officers from the Office of the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Management Control, assisted in the survey conducted by the training center. Personnel from this office is available upon request to similarly assist you in the study prescribed by paragraph 4 hereof.

By command of Lieutenant General ARNOLD:

S/ GEORGE E. STRATEMEYER
Major General, U. S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff

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MANNING TABLE STUDY IN GULF COAST TRAINING CENTER

1. The plan proposed contemplates:

a. For each station an exact manning table or Station Table of Organization, based on actual requirements and making the maximum use of women.

b. For the Training Center, a reserve pool from which would be provided replacements or additional requirements at any station, and to which would be transferred persons rendered surplus at a station by a change in its requirements.

c. The Training Center would be given an over-all allotment of personnel which would be the summation of station manning tables plus the reserve pool.

d. Required increases in the Training Center over-all allotment, having been justified by the Training Center Commander and approved by the Commanding General, Flying Training Command, would be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

e. Grades for officers and enlisted men would be allotted to the Training Center on a percentage basis.

f. Within the limits of his over-all allotment the Training Center Commander would be authorized to change station manning tables and to reassign his personnel accordingly.

g. At Training Center Headquarters there would be a staff section which by frequent visits to all stations and by constant study and analyses would endeavor to perfect and standardize the system.

h. Should the system be adopted for all training centers, necessary standardization throughout the Flying Training Command would be accomplished by the Commanding General, Flying Training Command.

2. An essential purpose in calling for an exact manning table for each station is to determine whether or not this plan will conserve manpower, and if so, how great a saving it will accomplish. Obviously this information can be had only by comparing, for a given station with a given mission and a given student load, the number of persons called for under the exact manning table plan with the number which is or would be provided under our present system.

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3. In preparing your station manning table, conform, as nearly as possible, to the following:

a. Use the attached forms. Reproduce locally. The completed manning table for each station should be bound at the top with an Acco clip or similar binder and should consist of:

(1) Page 1 - Comparative summary (Form 1, herewith).

(2) Page 2 - Chart showing functional organization of station under exact manning table plan. (No form is provided for this. Try to put this chart on a sheet of the same size as are the other pages of the manning table.)

Note: As a result of the studies made in the Gulf Coast Training Center, functional charts were developed for each of the typical training activities conducted by that training center. Copies of several typical charts are submitted as supplements to this memorandum. In instances where a station was engaged in more than one training activity or where its student load was substantially different from other stations conducting the same type of training, special functional charts were prepared.

(3) Page 3 and subsequent pages - Manning table proper (Form 2, herewith).

b. Base the personnel requirements for each station on the student load set up for that station under the 75,000 PTP.

c. With the exceptions noted below, include all persons required to operate the station, viz., officers and enlisted men of all arms and services, WAAC's, civilians, whether paid from appropriated funds or employed by Post Exchange, Officers Mess, Cadet Messes, Special Services Officer, etc.

Exceptions: Do not include in the manning table:

(1) Personnel of the Sub-Depot; but the number of such officers and employees is to be given on the cover page of the manning table.

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(2) Personnel employed at the station on a temporary basis such as construction jobs.

d. In determining the number of airplanes and flying instructors, use the ratios prescribed by the Flying Training Command.

e. Give in column 1 of Manning Table Form the job title or function to be performed. The titles used in functional breakdown should conform with your functional chart (page 2 of Manning Table Form).

f. In column 1 of Manning Table Form, under each functional title used, list the classifications of personnel required to perform the function, e.g., adjutant, engineering officer, clerk, stenographer, airplane mechanic, et cetera:

(1) In the case of officers, use "Officer Job Descriptions," prepared by your Training Center.

(2) In the case of all other personnel, use the requisition letter and the Army Specification serial number as listed in AAF Forms 127 and 128. Where the job assignment is not covered by a requisition letter or serial number as shown on Forms 127 and 128, use the Army Specification serial number as listed in Army Regulations 615-26, dated December 1, 1941, and W.D. Circular No. 14, dated January 19, 1942, as amended by list effective August 4, 1942.

g. Base your requirements on efficiency and economy. Give rein to original and constructive planning. Try to eliminate lost motion and duplication of effort. Take nothing for granted; make every department and agency justify its existence and its personnel requirements. On the other hand, bear in mind that it is not part of the plan to reduce personnel below the efficient minimum.

h. Provide for each person doing at least eight hours work, six days per week.

i. Do not allow for temporary overloads not a part of the normal mission of the station. These should be provided for from the Training Center pool.

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j. Do not provide for the performance of work which should be done by some other agency such as the District Engineer.

k. Consider carefully the curtailment of functions which have become over-expanded, e.g., is all of the work being done in the photographic laboratory really necessary; is the PRO Section within the limits prescribed by the War Department?

l. Make a detailed analysis of the requirement of the station in vehicles of all sorts, (including gasoline trucks and trailers, ambulances, bicycles, etc.) before determining the number of persons required to maintain and operate them. Consider pooling vehicles rather than assignment to particular individuals and agencies.

Note: It will be helpful if the ground rules include the direct specification requiring that, as a part of the study covering each installation, station commanders submit a list of all the vehicles required and an indication of the purpose for which they would be employed.

m. In entering on the form after each function of job the number of persons required, do not make any allowance for absences; but, as the last item of the manning table, set up on a percentage basis, or otherwise, the number of persons considered necessary to compensate for absences for all causes. Explain how this number of persons was determined. Include this number in the total manning table strength of the station.

n. Do not compute requirements in personnel for administrative and housekeeping functions (e.g., post headquarters, unit personnel section, messes, organization headquarters, police of barracks, etc.) until the number required for all other functions has been determined.

Note: Emphasis should be given to this rule in the approach by station commanders to this study. It is important that they give consideration to: first, the mission assigned to the station; second, the functions to be performed in complying with this mission; third, the work-load involved;

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fourth, the personnel required in performing this primary mission; and fifth, student load for which administrative facilities are required.

o. In order to reduce the overhead which results from a large number of small organizations, group the required personnel into the largest practicable organizations. Consider carrying all service detachments as sections of some large administrative unit.

p. With regard to the number of men set up for the servicing and maintenance of airplanes:

(1) Provide adequately for such night flying as is required by the training directive and for such night maintenance as may be required.

(2) State whether maintenance is accomplished under the crew chief system or under the so-called production line system.

q. Wherever possible express as formulae or as ratios the basis on which you have determined the number of persons required for a particular job. These would be similar to the student-instructor and student-airplane ratios established by the Flying Training Command, and when and as sufficiently standardized should permit the determination with considerable accuracy of the personnel required for a new station. They will also permit immediate and accurate comparison of the views of the Training Centers as to the personnel required for particular functions. Such formulae or ratios as you may develop should be stated in your covering report. (See paragraph 4c(4).)

4. In submitting the manning tables prepared in accordance with the ground rules, set forth in paragraph 3, send along a covering letter in which is presented:

a. Your comments re manning table plan as outlined in paragraph 1. State specifically whether you favor the Training Center pool idea or whether you believe that all overhead to provide against losses and absences should be allotted to the stations. If you favor a Training Center pool, state as a percentage of the total of all station manning tables, the appropriate size of the pools and explain how you arrived at this figure. If you are

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opposed to a Training Center pool, include all overhead in station manning table as explained in paragraph 3g.

b. Your recommendations as to whether or not the plan should be advocated:

(1) For your Training Center.

(2) For the entire Flying Training Command.

c. As inclosures in addition to the manning tables:

(1) The plan under which it is proposed to organize into units, for military control and administration, the military personnel, both men and women, called for in the station manning tables. State the titles you consider most appropriate for these units.

(2) Your estimate as to the number of personnel required in the Training Center Reserve Pool.

(3) Such job analyses as you consider necessary under the provisions of paragraph 3f above.

(4) Such formulae or ratios as you have developed under the provisions of paragraph 3g above.

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Exact Manning Table for Basic Flying (TYPE OF TRAINING) School, at Perrin Field, Sherman, Texas (NAME OF FIELD AND LOCATION), in Army Air Forces Gulf Coast Training Center.

Date prepared DEC 21 1942 1942. Student load under 75,000 PTP 460. Number of airplanes allotted under 75,000 PTP 180

COMPARISON OF PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	OFFICERS					ENLISTED MEN						OTHERS PAID FROM APPROPRIATED FUNDS		PAID FROM OTHER THAN APPROPR. FUNDS						TOTAL PERS. (Sum of Columns 6, 11, 12, 13, 14, 20)
	AIR FORCES					A.F.		OTHER		TOTAL										
	Pilots	Specialized Bomb., Nav., Etc	Administrative (Incl. War. Off)	Other Arms and Services	TOTAL OFFICERS	WH.	CLD.	WH.	CLD.	WH.	CLD.	WAACS, Nurses, Female Civ. Emp.	Male Civ. Emp.	POST EXCH	OFF. CLUB & MESS	CADET MESS	ENL. MESS	OTHER PURPOSE	TOTAL	
A. Total personnel which is or would be provided for 75,000 PTP under present system.	150	8	61	35	254	1711	202	206	80	1917	282	93	160	69	5	40			108	2814
B. Total personnel called for under Exact Manning Table.	109	12	58	27	206	720	256	257	14	957	270	288	156	69	11	40			114	1991
C. SAVING. In Cols. in which Line A exceeds Line B, enter the amount of this excess.	41		3	9	48	991			66	960	12		4							823
D. INCREASE. In Cols. in which Line B exceeds Line A, enter the amount of this excess.		4					54	31				195			6				6	
E. Sub-Depot personnel required per 75,000 PTP.	2		1		3							127	398							528

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TYPICAL BASIC FLYING SCHOOL

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
JOB TITLE OR FUNCTION TO BE PERFORMED	OFFICERS					Total Pers. other than Officers Req. to Operate Station	Of Total in Col. 7, how many must be Enl. Men (White &/or Colored)	Of Total in Col. 8, how many may be Colored Enl. Men (This must be 10% of Col. 8 & may be Higher) %	Balance which may be other than Enl. Men Col. 7 minus Col. 8	Of Total in Col. 10 How many should be Paid from		Of Total in Col. 11 How many should be		NOTES
	AIR FORCE			Other Arms & Services	TOTAL OFFICERS					Appropriated Funds (i.e., Federal Employees)	Other Funds (eg., Post Exchange)	Women (WAACS, Nurses, or Female Civilian Employees)	Male Civilian Employees	
	Pilots	Specialized (Bomb., Nav., Bag., Etc.)	Administrative (Include Warrant O.)											
Section 1-a														
Station Commander	1				1									
Total	1				1									
Section 1-b														
Adjutant			1		1									
Ass't. Adjutant			1		1									
Clerks, Adm. & Tech. 502						4	4		1	1		1		
Mail Orderly 056						2	1		4	4		4		
Typist-Stenographer						4			3	3		3		
Clerk, File 355						3			4	4		4		
Clerk 055						4								
Total			2		2	17	5		12	12		12		
Section 1-c														
Adm. Inspector			1		1									
Ass't. Adm. Insp.			1		1									
Clerk, Adm. & Tech. 502						2	2							
Clerk, Adm. & Tech. 501						1	1							
Typist-Stenographer						1			1	1		1		
Total			2		2	4	3		1	1		1		
Section 1-d														
Technical Inspector	1				1									
Clerks, Adm. 502						7	7		1	1		1		
Typist-Stenographer						1			2	2		2		
Clerk 055						2								
Total	1				1	10	7		3	3		3		

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Typist-Stenographer						1	1		1	1		1		
Total			2		2	4	3		1	1		1		
Section 1-d														
Technical Inspector	1				1									
Clerks, Adm. 502						7	7							
Typist-Stenographer						1								
Clerk 055						2			1 2	1 2		1 2		
Total	1				1	10	7		3	3		3		
Section 1-e														
Operations Officer	1				1									
Ass't. Oper. Officer	1				1									
Weather Officer		1			1									
Communications Off.		1			1									
Clerk, Adm. & Tech. 502						1	1		4	4		4		
Dispatcher						1			2	2		2		
Map Clerk						1								
Time Clerk						1								
Weather Observer 784						2	2		6	6		6		
Weather Forecaster 787						2								
Communications Chief 542						1	1							
Radio Mechanic 778						1								
Clerk 055						1	1		3	3		3		
Army Control Tower Oper. 552						9	9							
Crew Chief 790						3	3							
Tech. Supply Clerk 821						1								
Refueling Unit Oper. 932						3		3						
Total	2	2			4	49	30	3	19	19		19		

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CHARTS
SHOWING PROPOSED PLAN OF
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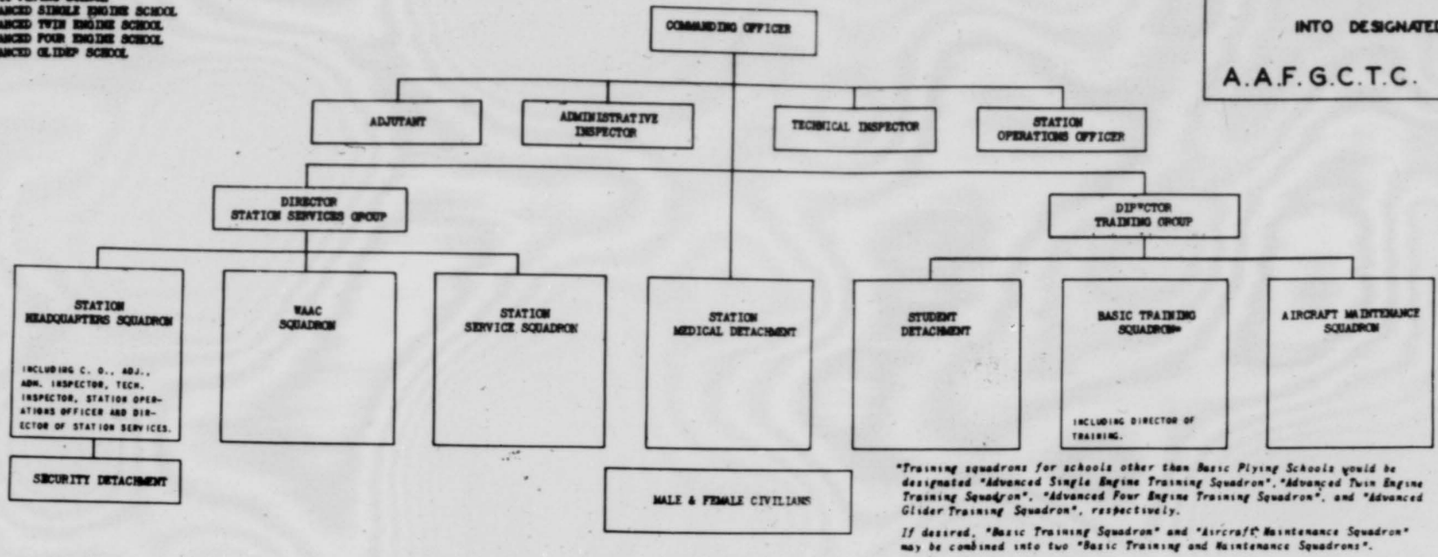
OF
MILITARY PERSONNEL
INTO DESIGNATED UNITS
A.A.F.G.C.T.C. SCHOOLS

STANDARD ORGANIZATION CHART
APPLICABLE TO

BASIC FLYING SCHOOL
ADVANCED SINGLE ENGINE SCHOOL
ADVANCED TWIN ENGINE SCHOOL
ADVANCED FOUR ENGINE SCHOOL
ADVANCED GLIDER SCHOOL



*Training squadrons for schools other than Basic Flying Schools would be designated "Advanced Single Engine Training Squadron", "Advanced Twin Engine Training Squadron", "Advanced Four Engine Training Squadron", and "Advanced Glider Training Squadron", respectively.

If desired, "Basic Training Squadron" and "Aircraft Maintenance Squadron" may be combined into two "Basic Training and Maintenance Squadrons".

ALL SCHOOLS IN THE TRAINING CENTER WOULD BE UNIFORMLY ORGANIZED EXCEPT AS TO SIZE WITH RESPECT TO THE HEADQUARTERS (C. O., Adj., Adm. Insp., Tech. Insp., and Station Operations Officer), STATION SERVICES, AND STATION MEDICAL DETACHMENT. THE TRAINING ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOLS OTHER THAN THOSE LISTED ABOVE WOULD VARY WITH THE MISSION ASSIGNED, AND ORGANIZATIONAL PLANS FOR TRAINING GROUPS OF SUCH SCHOOLS ARE CHARTED BELOW.

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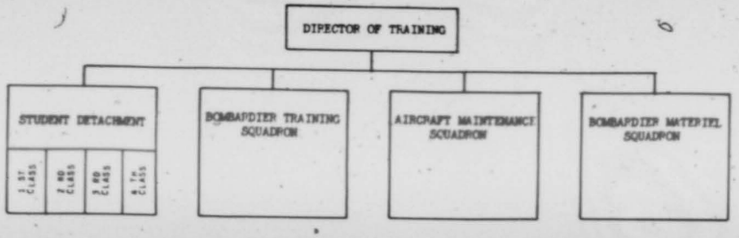

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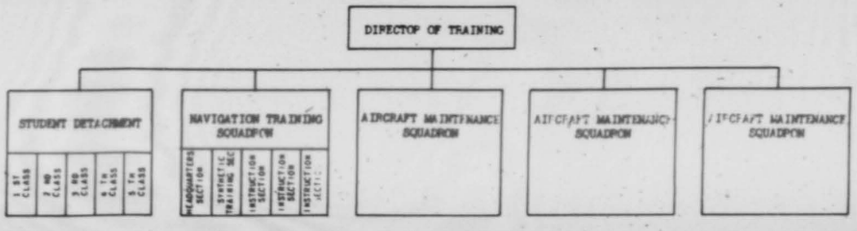

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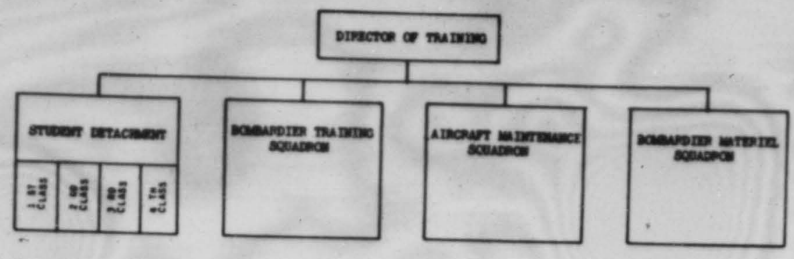

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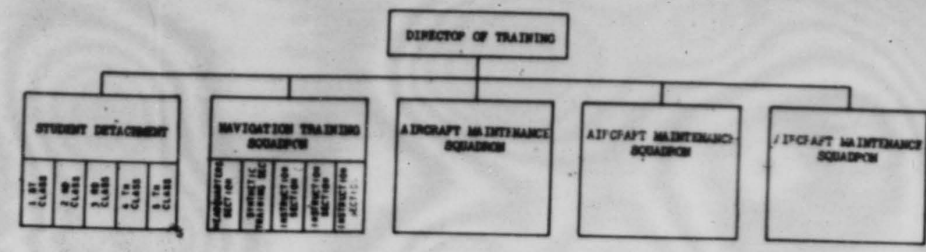

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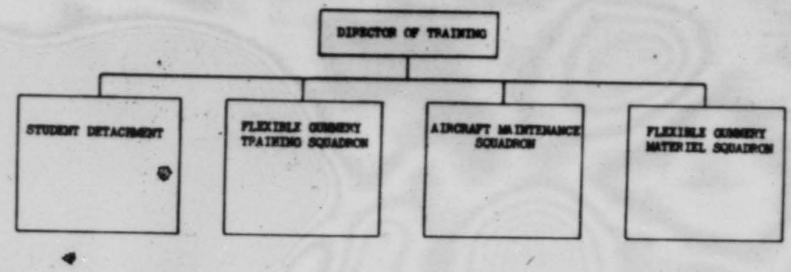

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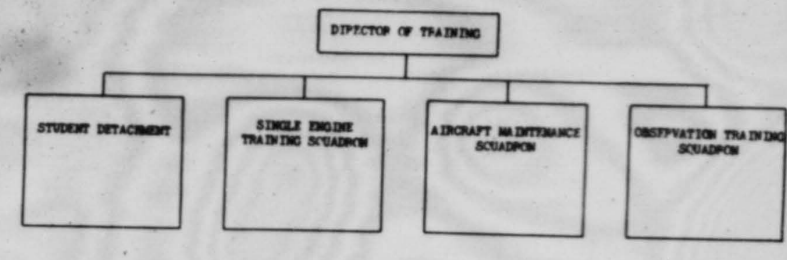

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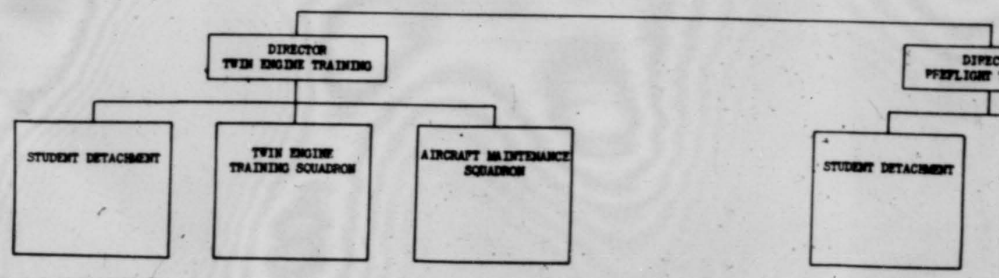

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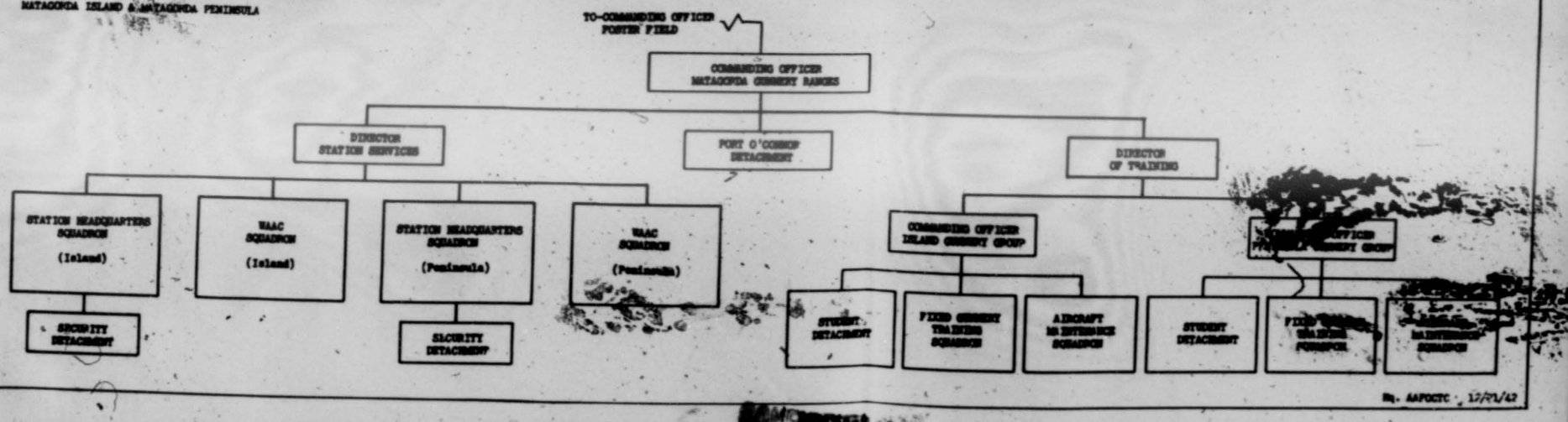

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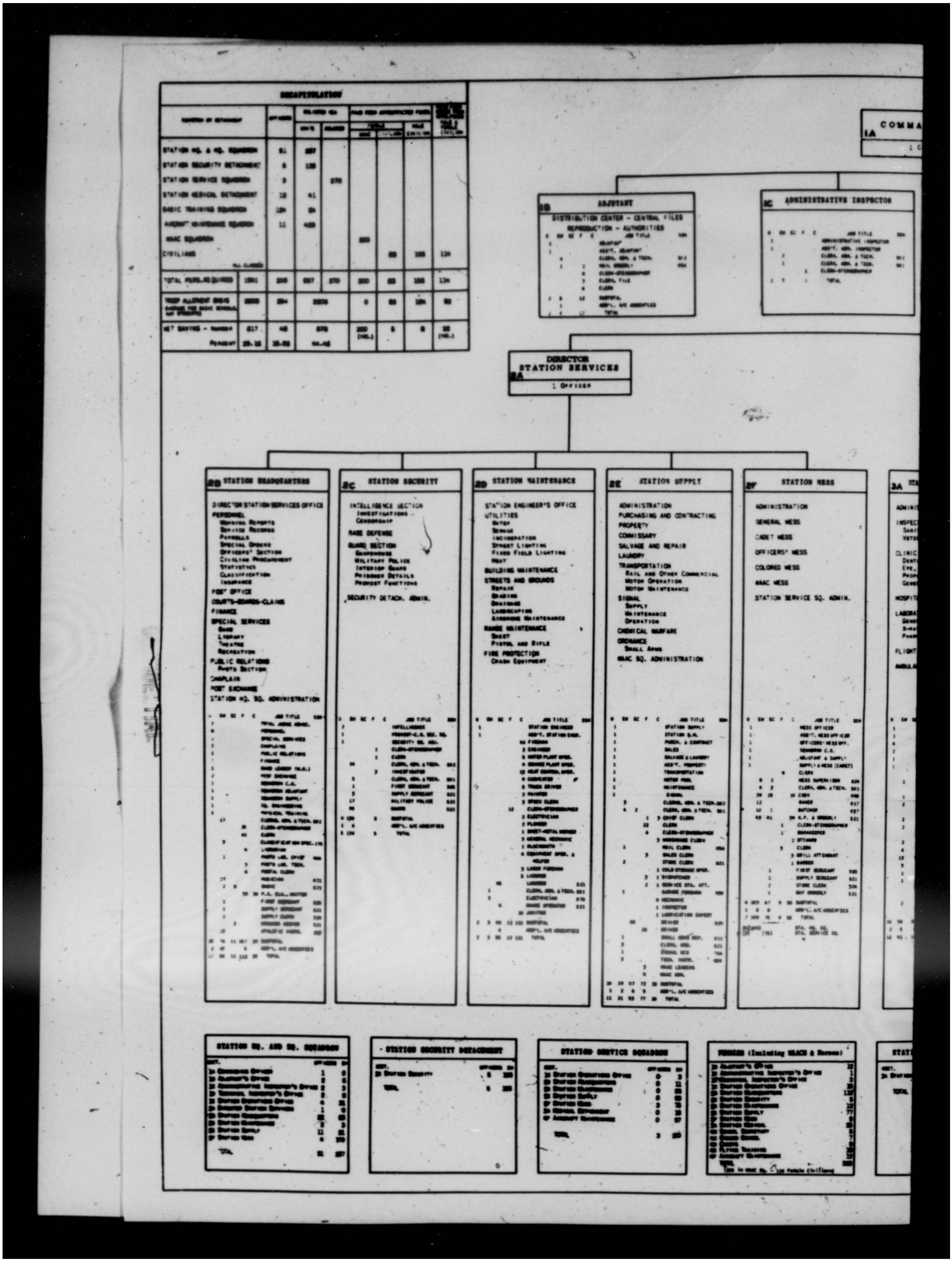

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FUNCTIONAL CHART

SHOWING PERSONNEL REQUIRED FOR

TYPICAL

BASIC FLYING SCHOOL

- 400 STUDENTS
- 150 AIRPLANES

1A COMMANDING OFFICER
1 Commanding Officer

1C ADMINISTRATIVE INSPECTOR

1D TECHNICAL INSPECTOR

1E STATION OPERATIONS OFFICER

4A DIRECTOR TRAINING
1 Officer

4B SCHOOL SECRETARY

2F STATION MESS
- ADMINISTRATION
- GENERAL MESS
- CADET MESS
- OFFICERS' MESS
- COLORED MESS
- WAAC MESS
- STATION SERVICE SQ. ADMIN.

3A STATION MEDICAL DETACHMENT
- ADMINISTRATION
- INSPECTION
  - Sanitation
  - Veterinary
- CLINIC
  - Dental
  - Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat
  - Prophylactic
  - General
- HOSPITAL
- LABORATORY
  - General
  - X-ray
  - Pharmacy
- FLIGHT MEDICINE
- AMBULANCE

4C GROUND SCHOOL
- SCHOOL
  - Radio Communication
  - Code
  - Navigation
  - Weather
  - Aircraft Identification

4D CADETS
- COMMANDANT OF CADETS
  - Cadet Administration
  - Cadet Supply

4E FLYING TRAINING
- STUDENT OPERATIONS
- FLYING INSTRUCTION
- LINK TRAINER INSTRUCTION
- BASIC FLYING SQ. ADMINISTRATION

4F AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE
- ENGINEERING
- SUPPLY
- SERVICE
- REPAIR
- TECH. ORDER COMPLIANCE
- INSPECTION
- PORTABLE LIGHTING
- AIRCRAFT MAINT. SQ. ADM.

4G FLYING TRAINING & MAINTENANCE
- FLYING
  - Student Operations
  - Flying Instruction
  - Link Trainer Instruction
- MAINTENANCE
  - Engineering
  - Supply
  - Service
  - Repair
  - Tech. Order Compliance
  - Inspection
  - Portable Lighting
- SQUADRON ADMINISTRATION (Two Squadrons)

FINALS (Including WAACS & Nurses)

STATION MEDICAL DETACHMENT

MALE CIVILIANS

BASIC TRAINING SQUADRON

AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON

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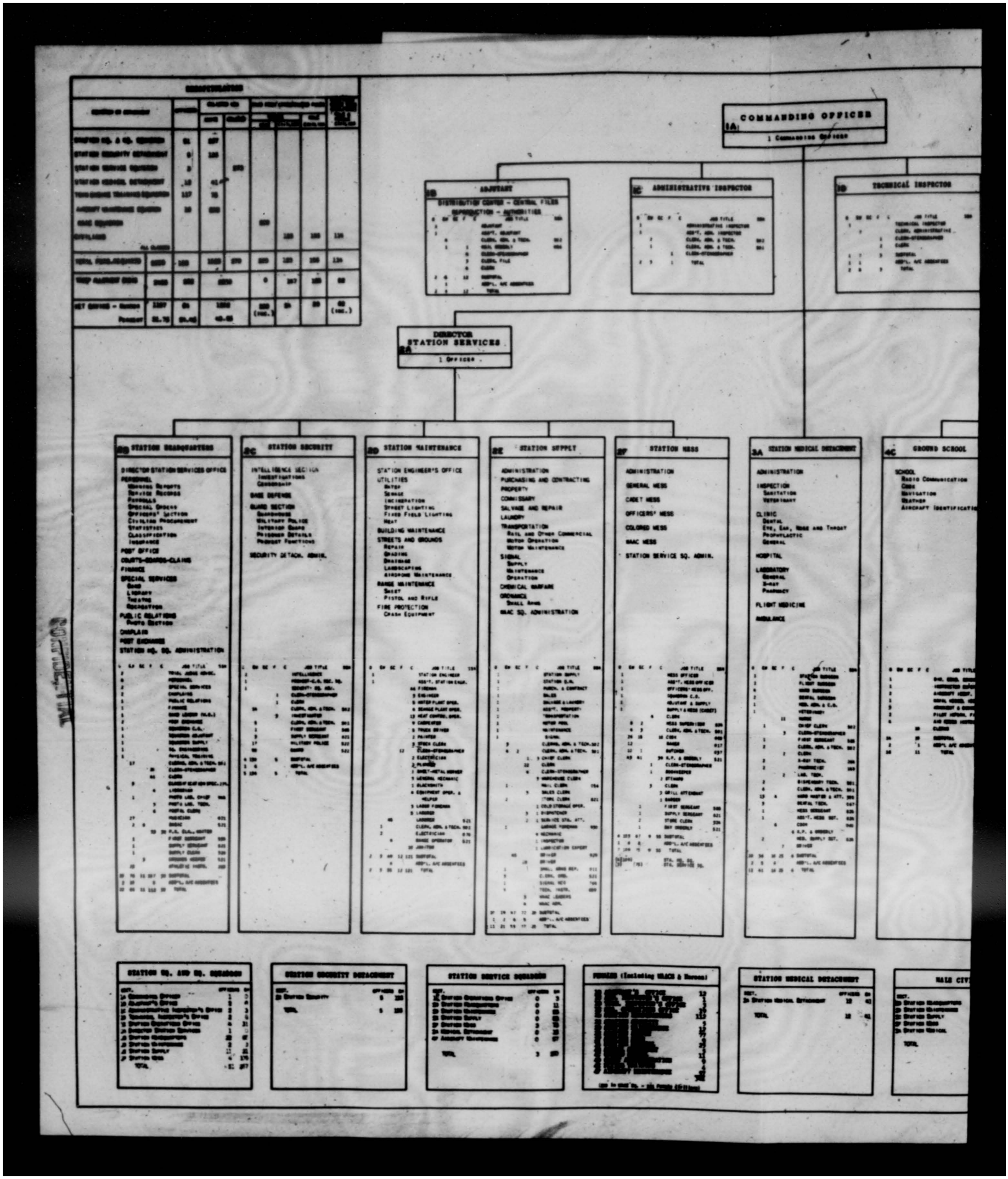

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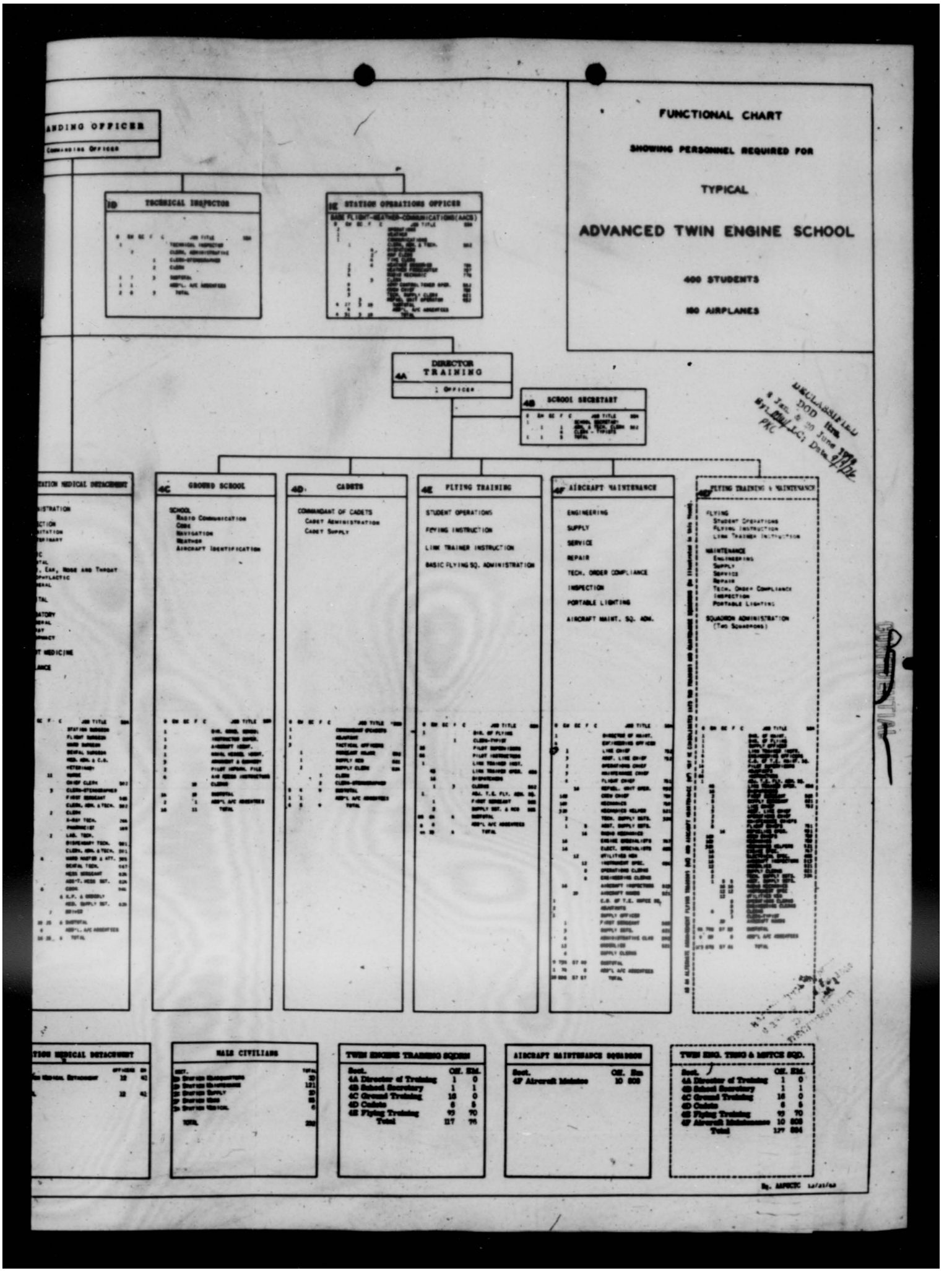

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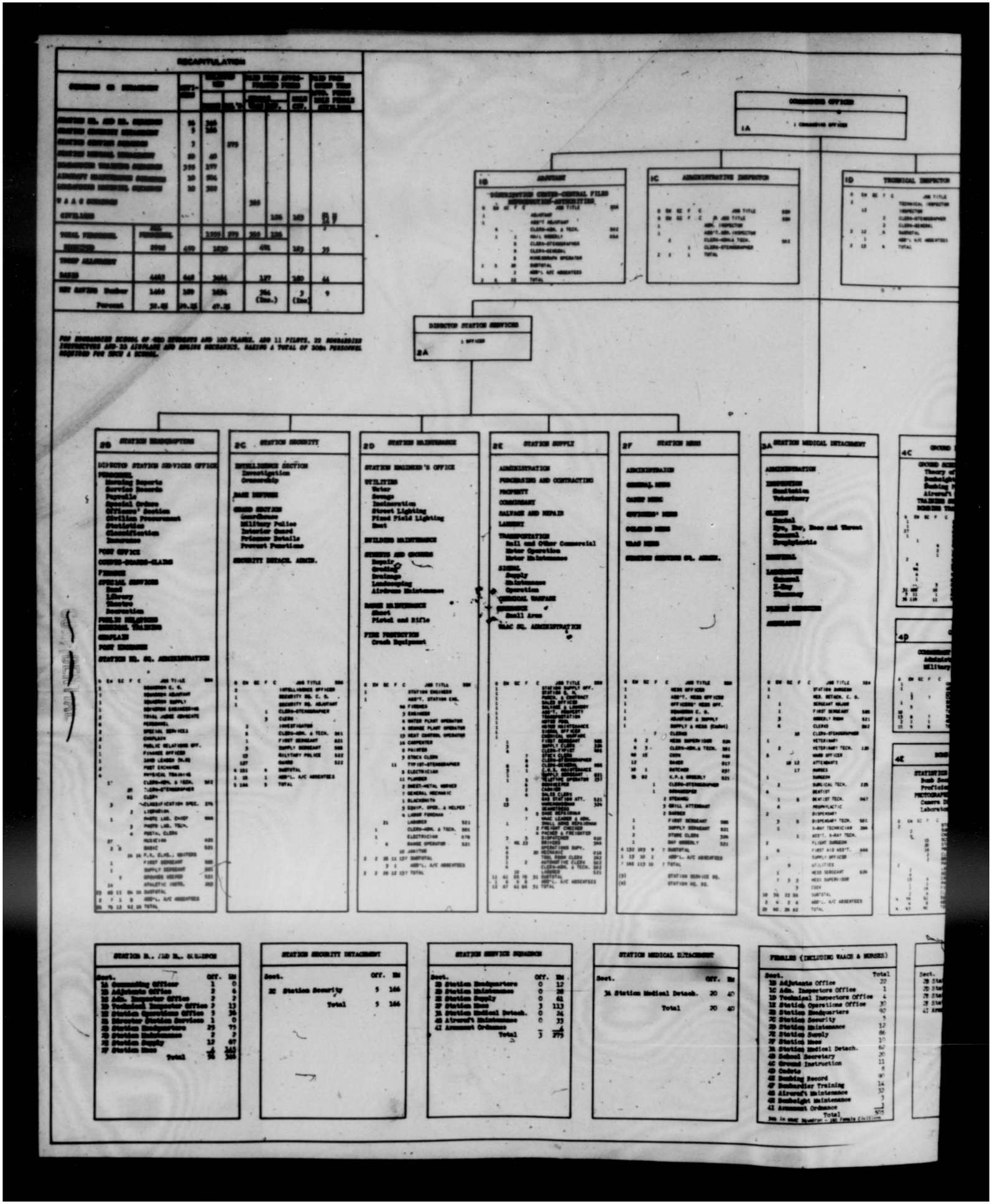

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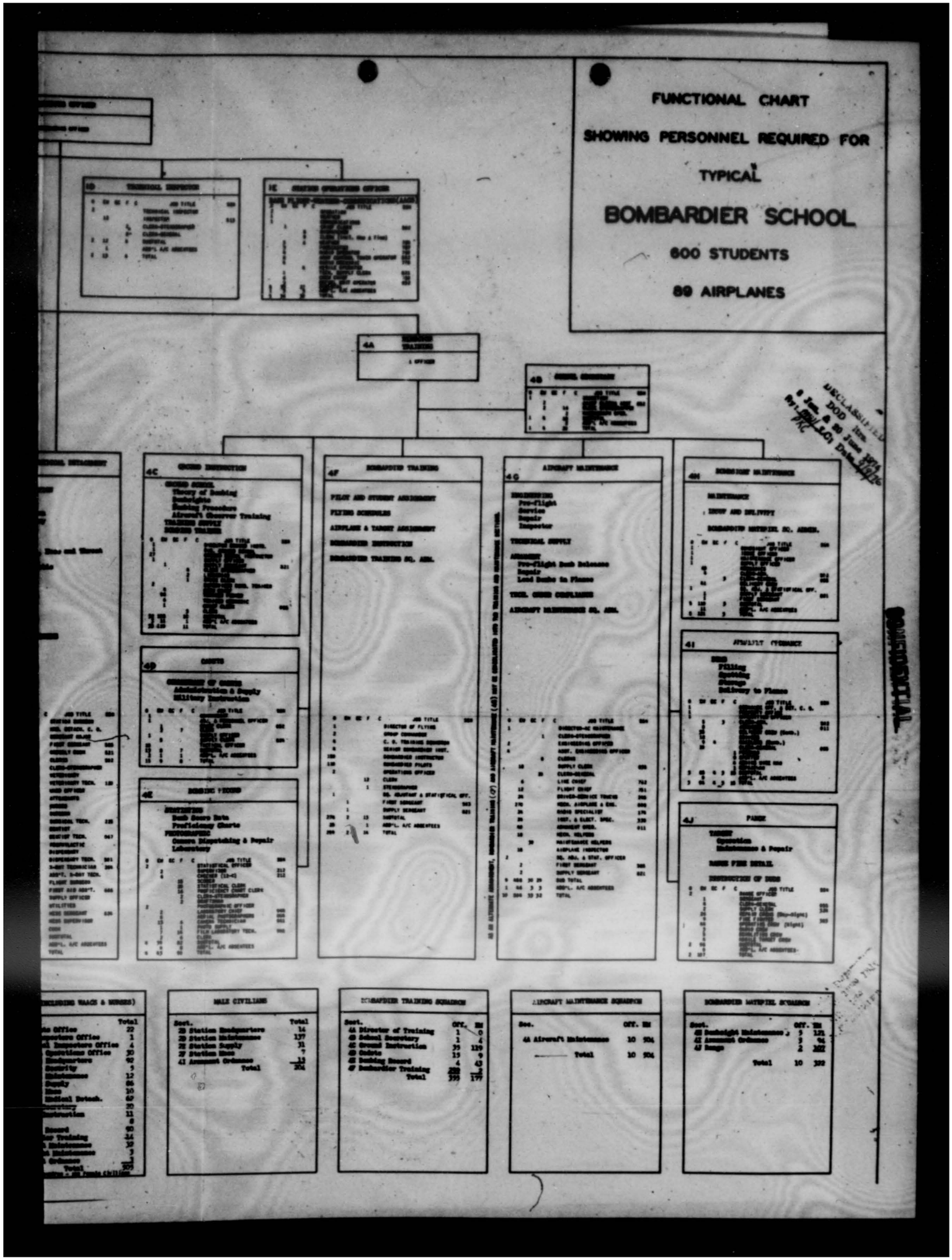

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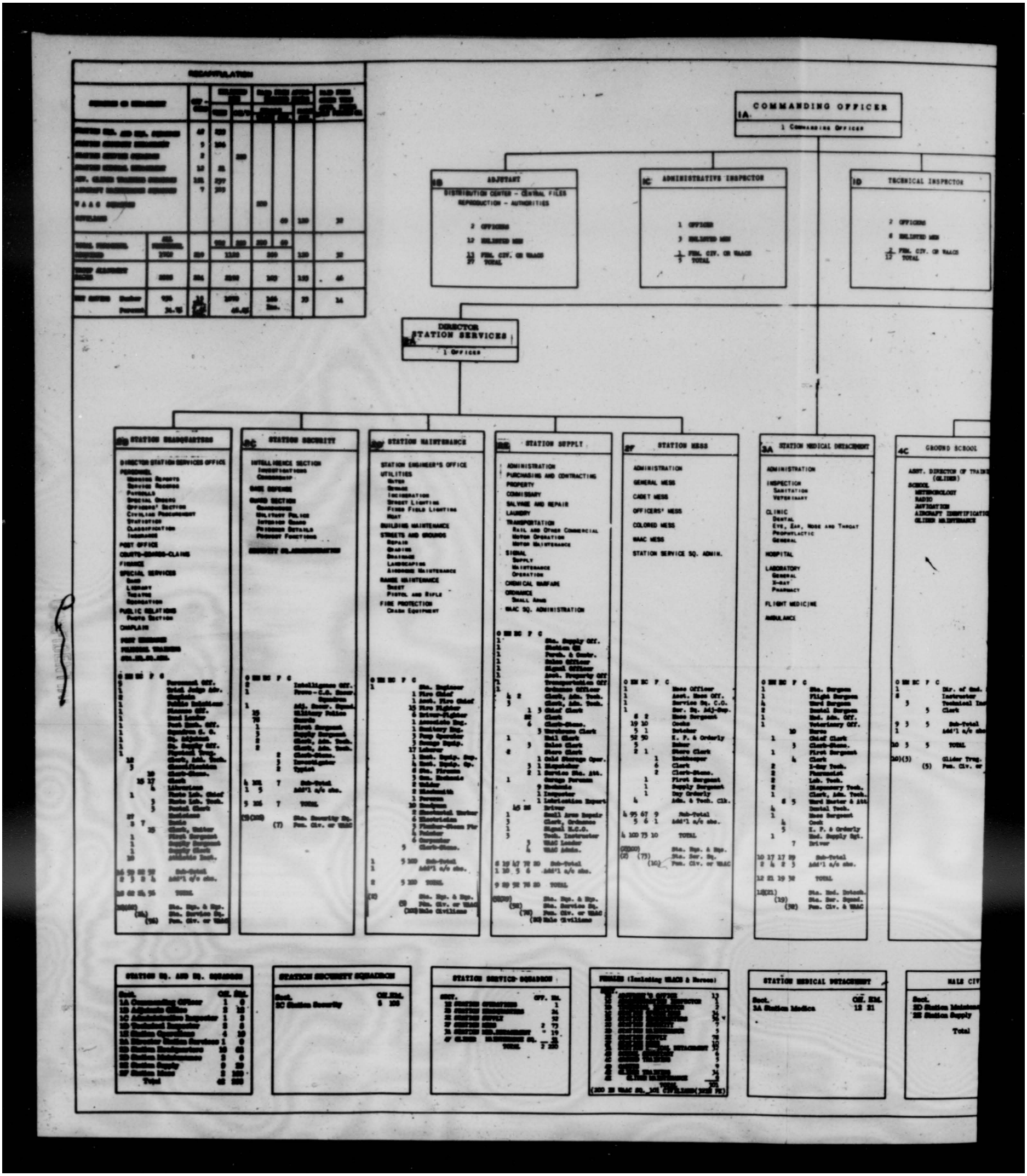

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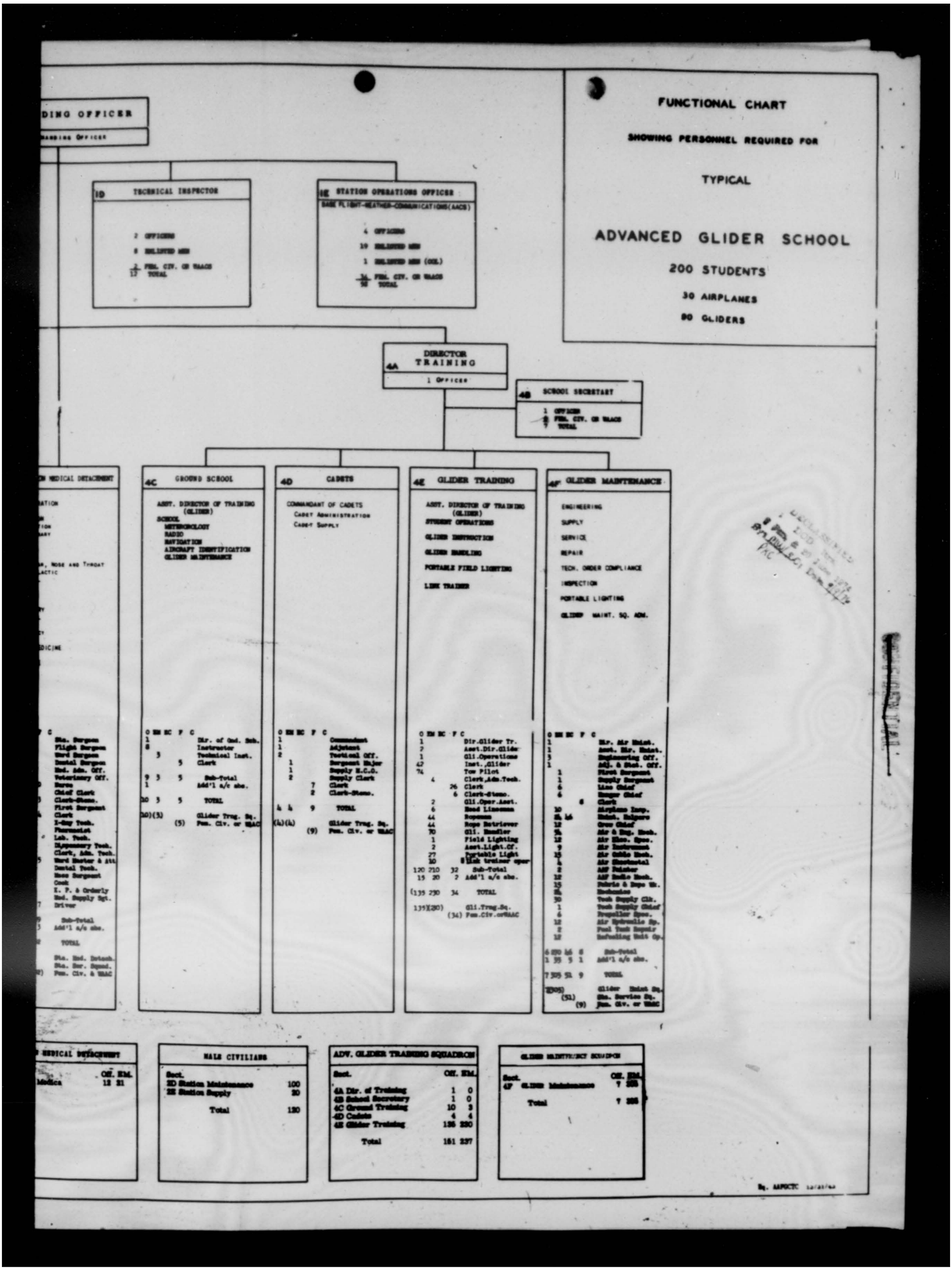

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TO: Deputy Chief of Air Staff

DATE Mar. 18, 1943

FROM: Director of Military Requirements

COMMENT NO. 2
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1. The following comments rendered in the items as listed below as indicated in the Inspector Generals Department, page 15 of "Minutes, General Council Meeting", dated Feb. 8, 1943.

a. Chicago, Illinois.

(1) The following was the status of personnel with the AAF Technical School, Chicago, Ill. on Feb. 27, 1943:

Students		8,624
Air Corps Permanent Party	2,415	
Arms and Services Permanent Party	566	
Total Permanent Party		2,981
Total Enlisted Men		11,965
Military Instructors (Included in Permanent Party figure above)		489
Civilian Instructors		539
Total Instructors		1,028
Total Civilians on pay roll (including instructors and civilians on duty with Arms and Services)		3,510

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Ratio to Civilian Instructors to students equals 1 to 14.

Ratio of all instructors to students equals 1 to 8.

The excessive civilian overhead is caused in part by the hotel employees, (porters, maids, mess, etc.).

(2) Technical Training Command has been directed to take necessary action to correct the condition of excessive overhead. (Incl. #1)

b. Tucson, Arizona.

(1) The Second Air Force has been directed to investigate the system of ground instruction in force at this Air Base and to take corrective action. (Incl #2)

(2) a. The Davis-Monthan Sub-Depot was checked by a representative of Base Services during the latter part of January. This report, substantiating the comment below from Air Service Command, is attached. (Incl #3

b. The Davis-Monthan Sub-Depot has always been considered to be one of the best in the Air Service Command and by inspectors from other commands. In view of the labor market in the vicinity of Tucson, no plans have been made to militarize this sub-depot. (Incl #3)

c. Santa Anna, Calif.

(1) Mess funds derived from $1.00 per day subsistence allowance and small amount from profits on laundry and sale of Athletic equipment. Savings are small but surplus has accumulated from large turnover. (Incl. #4)

(2) Flying Training Command is taking action to prevent recurrence of this situation in the future.

(3) Action has been taken to obtain a ruling on the crediting of present surplus.

d. Victorville, Calif.

(1) The Commanding Officer of the Victorville Sub-Depot has been relieved. The new Commanding Officer is qualified for the reorganization and improvement of the sub-depot to meet required standards. (Incl #5)

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(2) From a study on weather conditions at Victorville over a period of 10 years and from actual operation at Victorville by the Army Air Forces over a period of 2 years, weather conditions at Victorville are as nearly perfect as at any station in the Army Air Forces. During the latter part of January and the first part of February each year, strong winds prevail from Cajon Pass. (Incl #6)

c. Daggart, Calif.

(1) Answered direct to General Hanley by Air Transport Command. (Incl #7)

(2) Douglas Modification Plant spends much of its time winterizing airplanes, which often require as much as 1400 man hours per airplane. It is estimated that 60% of the present capacity at Daggart is being used for factory installations and Technical Order compliances. The balance is used on cargo airplanes modification and winterization. (Incl #7)

(3) Two items not commented upon have been referred to proper directorates and action taken will be forwarded upon receipt. Items are:

(a) Ground school training at Victorville.

(b) High payrolls at Daggart.

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Colonel, Air Corps.

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1. Attached hereto is a copy of "Minutes, General Council Meeting," dated February 8, 1943.

2. Your particular attention is invited to the report of the Inspector General's Department starting on page 15.

3. It is desired that all necessary corrective action on the preliminary report be initiated at once and that copies of such directives as may be issued be returned to this office with the Minutes attached.

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T. J. HANLEY, JR.,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the commanders indicated, effective March 1, 1943:

Unit	Station	Activated by CG and Assigned to
Sq. 342nd Fighter Gp 377th Fighter Sq 378th Fighter Sq 379th Fighter Sq	Westover Field, Massachusetts	First Air Force
Sq. 325th Fighter Gp 327th Fighter Sq 328th Fighter Sq 329th Fighter Sq	Hamilton Field, California	Fourth Air Force

1. Table of Organization 1-12, dated July 1, 1942 for the Sq. Fighter Groups and 1-97, dated July 1, 1942 for the Fighter Squadrons will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Air Forces concerned will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127, September 15, 1942 and 128, May 8, 1942 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. These units should be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule; units will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength

Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
Apr. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl)	May 25, 1943

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5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #2, dated July 1, 1940.

6. The 56th Fighter Group will have a G-1-1406 and the 36th Fighter Group a G-1-1404 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 15-110, September 8, 15-110A, December 8, 15-111, November 27, 1942, and Technical Order 00-30-2A will be complied with immediately.

8. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAS - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular 208, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

SUBJECT: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Defense, January 28, 1945. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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	Personnel Required for Unit MOS Manual	Additional Personnel Required for Unit MOS Manual
OFFICERS		
1 Engine Pilot	12	12
2 Engine Pilot	8	
Engineering		2
Armament	1	
Weather	8	
Communications	2	2
Intelligence	4	
Statistical	10	
All other Officers	38	21
Total Officers		
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin & Tech Clerk	21	79
Draftsman	3	
Airplane Armorer	15	16
Air Forces Radio Mech	10	
Air Forces Radio Oper	2	2
Air Forces Radio Oper & Mech	9	
Radio Mechanic (CH)	12	
Radio Mechanic (F)	2	
Telephone and Telegraph Lineman	3	
Teletypewriter Mech	4	
Army Airplane & Engine Mech	25	24
Airplane Electrical Specialist	3	
Airplane Instrument Specialist	6	
Airplane Propeller Specialist	3	
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	6	
Army Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker	3	
Machinist	3	
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	3	
Welder	3	
Cook-Baker	19	13
Photographic Lab Tech	2	2
Automotive Equipment Mech	4	
Automotive Equipment Oper	4	6
Heavy Automotive Equip Oper	3	15
Air Forces Painter		2
Carpenter	2	2
All other Enlisted Men Group	4	16
Total Enlisted Men	179	180

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation, Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Units

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 735th and 736th Signal Aircraft Warning Companies be constituted and activated at the earliest practicable date by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command. These units will be organized as shown in Inclosure #1.

II. That the 621st Signal Aircraft Warning Plotting Company Frontier (Special) and the 677th, 678th and 691st Signal Aircraft Warning Reporting Companies (Special) be redesignated the 621st, 677th, 678th, and 691st Signal Aircraft Warning Companies respectively. These units will be reorganized by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command as shown in Inclosure #1.

III. That the 716th Signal Aircraft Warning Company be reorganized by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command, as shown in Inclosure #1.

IV. The actions directed herein will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the A.A.F. Form 128, dated, May 6, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

3. Paragraph 2, A.A.F. Memorandum #35-1, dated June 13, 1942, subject: " Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Signal Aircraft Warning Companies", will apply.

4. Reporting platoons will be of fixed type in accordance with note "P", Table of Organization #11-400, dated July 1, 1942, or footnote on Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, dated September 15, 1942.

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5. All units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, dated September 15, 1942.

6. The Commanding General, Western Air Defense, will report without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAC - Publications Section) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Units activated
b. Dates of activation
c. Size of cadres
d. Source of cadres
e. Confirmation of redesignation
f. Dates of reorganization

7. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, dated December 12, 1942, and #15-108, dated December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-[illegible]-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

V. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Air Defense
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. C. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Inclosure:
Reorganization Chart

Concurrences:
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: The above action is in accordance with a request in R&R, Air Defense to Program Planning, subject: "Activation, Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Units, XI Fighter Command", dated January 26, 1943. This action is necessary to provide proper Signal Aircraft Warning Service for the Western Defense Command and is in accordance with 4th Indorsement, subject: "Reorganization, XI Fighter Command and Establishment of Air Defense Region, File AG 320.2 (10-27-42)OB-I-S, dated January 11, 1943. This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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ORGANIZATION, REORGANIZATION AND REDESIGNATION OF SIGNAL AW UNITS, XI FIGHTER COMD

Unit	Region	Organization T/O 11-437, Sept 15, 1942 Columns and Quantity		Organization T/O 11-400, July 1, 1942 Teams and Quantity										
		Column	3	11	Team	B	C	E	F	I	K	L	M	P	R
1) 676th Sig AW Co	Juneau	Quantity	1	1	Quantity	1	1	1	3	5	1	2	15	3	1
		Column	3	11	Team	B	C	E	F	I	K	L	M	P	R
2) 621st Sig AW Co	Anchorage	Quantity	1	1	Quantity	1	2	1	2	5	2	2	10	2	1
		Column	3	11	Team	B	C	E	F	I	K	L	M	P	R
3) [illegible]st Sig AW Co	Kodiak	Quantity	1	1	Quantity	1	2	1	2	5	1	1	10	2	1
		Column	3	11	Team	B	C	E	F	I	K	L	M	P	R
4) 677th Sig AW Co	Cold Bay	Quantity	1	1	Quantity	1	3	1	1	2	5	1	5	2	1
		Column	3	11	Team	B	C	E	F	I	L	M	P	R	
5) 716th Sig AW Co	ADak	Quantity	1	1	Quantity	1	3	1	4	7	1	15	3	1	
		Column	3	11	Team	B	C	E	F	I	K	L	M	P	R
6) 735th Sig AW Co	Nome	Quantity	1	1	Quantity	1	2	1	2	5	1	1	10	2	1
		Column	3	11	Team	B	C	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	P	R	S
7) 736th Sig AW Co	Umnak	Quantity	1	1	Quantity	1	5	1	5	1	1	8	1	1	1	10	3	1	5

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	Total Authorized Strength			Attached Medical (included in Col 4.		Source of Personnel
	Off	W.O.	E.M.	Off	EM	
1)	21	1	234	2	11	That available to CG, ADC
2)	23	2	259	2	11	That available to CG, ADC
3)	20	2	239	2	11	That available to CG, ADC
4)	19	3	258	2	11	That available to CG, ADC
5)	22	3	321	2	11	That available to CG, ADC
6)	20	2	239	2	11	That available to CG, ADC
7)	26	6	444	2	21	That available to CG, ADC

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reassignment of the 421st Bombardment Squadron (Hv).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 421st Bombardment Squadron (Hv) be redesignated as the 20th Antisubmarine Squadron (Hv), relieved from assignment to the Newfoundland Base Command and reassigned to the Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command.

1. This action does not authorize any change of strength.

2. This squadron will remain attached to the Newfoundland Base Command for administration and will be available to the Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command as a striking force in the event of an emergency.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 415th Night Fighter Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 415th Night Fighter Squadron be constituted and activated immediately by the Commandant, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics at Orlando, Florida, and prepared for movement to a Port of Embarkation by March 15, 1943.

1. Table of Organization #1-67, dated October 15, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply cadres, fillers, and replacement personnel. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Forms #127, December 12, 1942, and #128, May 8, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

3. This unit should be brought to full T/O strength not later than March 1, 1943.

4. Equipment for this unit will be in accordance with Tables of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and will have an A-2 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Units furnishing cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 15, 1942, #15-110, September 15, 1942, #15-110A, December 9, 1942,

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#15-111, November 27, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation of such units.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commandant, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics (Air Mail, Special Delivery)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from A-3 Division, Air Staff, February 4, 1943 and Director of Air Defense, February 6, 1943. This action is necessary in order that this unit may be made available for shipment overseas during March 1943. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Hq & Hq Sq, 42nd Bombardment Wing (Dive).

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the Hq & Hq Sq, 42nd Bombardment Wing (Dive) be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Third Air Force at Birmingham, Alabama immediately.

1. Table of Organization 1-120-1, November 21, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Third Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127, September 15, 1942 and 128, May 8, 1942 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

5. This unit will have a C-1-1387 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

6. This unit should be organized as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule, training to commence approximately seven days after full table of organization strength is reached:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
March 1, 1943	April 1, 1943	April 23, 1943

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

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8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 15-110, September 15, 15-110A, December 9, 15-111, November 27, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN H. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Support, January 25, 1943. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation, and Reorganization of Quartermaster Companies, Boat (Avn).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (2-5-43) OB-I-AFDFU-M, dated February 11, 1943 be amended as follows:

Delete paragraph #1 and substitute the following:

"The following Quartermaster Companies, Boat (Aviation) be constituted and activated by the Commanders concerned as indicated below:

Unit	Station of Activation	Activated by CG and Assigned to	Priority Rating
1002nd QM Co, Boat (Avn)	Keesler Fld, Miss.	AAF Technical Trng Command	C-1-558
1003rd QM Co, Boat (Avn)	Tyndall Fld, Fla.	AAF Southeast Trng Center	C-1-559
1004th QM Co, Boat (Avn)	Foster Fld, Texas	AAF Gulf Coast Trng Center	C-1-560
1005th QM Co, Boat (Avn)	Morrison Fld, Fla.	Air Transport Comd	C-1-561
1006th QM Co, Boat (Avn)	New Orleans Air Base, La.	Air Service Command	C-1-562

II. That the following be notified of this action: Same as original letter.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. GOOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is necessary to correct error made in publishing unit numbers and to correct priority ratings in accordance with latest numbering system for priorities. Major Blackburn, Base Services-Quartermaster, has concurred in this action.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation and Reorganization of Quartermaster Companies, Boat (Avn)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 921st, 922nd, 923rd, and 1000th Quartermaster Companies Boat (Aviation) be reorganized by the commanders concerned at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Inclosure #1.

1. The above action will not effect a change of station or grades.

2. A report will be submitted by the commanders concerned to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Units reorganized.
b. Date of reorganization.

II. That the following Quartermaster Companies, Boat (Aviation) be constituted and activated by the Commanders concerned as indicated below:

Unit	Station of Activation	Assigned to	Priority Rating
1002nd QM Co,Boat (Avn)	New Orleans Air Base Louisiana	Air Service Comd Co Hq	C-1-1362
1003rd QM Co,Boat (Avn)	Tyndall Field,Fla.	AAF Southeast Trng Center Co Hq	C-1-1363
1004th QM Co,Boat (Avn)	Foster Field,Texas	AAF Gulf Coast Trng Center Co Hq	C-1-1364
1005th QM Co,Boat (Avn)	Keesler Fld, Miss.	AAF Technical Trng Comd, Co Hq	C-1-1365
1006th QM Co,Boat (Avn)	Morrison Fld,Fla	Air Transport Comd Co Hq	C-1-1366

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1. These units will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 10-497, dated February 11, 1942 with authorized strengths, operations platoons and sections and at stations as indicated in Inclosure #2.

2. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #10, dated June 20, 1942, together with Change #1, dated July 31, 1942.

3. The Commands concerned will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the A.A.F. Form #128, dated May 8, 1942 (Personnel Status Report).

4. A report will be submitted by the Commanders concerned to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Units activated
b. Date of activation
c. Source of cadres
d. Size of Cadres

5. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, and #15-108, December 15, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command

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Commanding General, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Ohio
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Gulf Coast Training Center
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Technical Training Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Quartermaster General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. E. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request in R&R Director of Base Services (QM) to Program Planning, subject: "Constitution, Activation, and Reorganization of Quartermaster Companies, Boat (Avn)", dated January 26, 1943, requesting the reorganization of the 921st, 922nd, 923rd, and 1000th QM Companies Boat (Avn) and the activation of a QM Co Boat (Avn) for the commands as indicated. This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Priority ratings furnished by AFROM. At present there are four QM Co Boats (Avn) assigned to the First, Third and Fourth Air Forces and to the Proving Ground Comd. These four Companies are furnishing personnel to operate boats assigned to stations of the respective Air Forces and Commands in addition, are furnishing personnel to operate boats assigned to stations under the jurisdiction of other Commands and Air Forces. The proposed reorganizations of existing QM Cos Boat (Avn) and the constitution and activation of 5 additional companies will provide a QM Co Boat (Avn) for each and every Comd or Air Force (domestic), having bases to which boats are assigned. Thus, the undesirable practice of requiring one Comd or Air Force to furnish personnel for the operation of boats assigned to another comd will be eliminated. This reorganization also will provide sufficient personnel for the operation of boats scheduled to become available to various bases on or before March 31, 1943 as well as for those boats now assigned to various bases.

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First Air Force (Page 1)

(Inclosure #1)

Unit	Assignment
921st QM Co. Boat (Avn)	First Air Force

UNIT	STATION	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH O	WO	EM
Company Headquarters	Langley Field	2		6
Operations Platoon			16	74
2 - Sections "A"			(12)	(32)
2 - Sections "B"			(4)	(10)
6 - Sections "C"				(24)
4 - Sections "D"				(8)
		2	16	80
Operations Platoon	Bolling Field, D.C.			20
2 - Sections "C"				(8)
4 - Sections "D"	Baltimore Municipal Air Port, Md.			(8)
1 - Section "D"				(4)
				20
Operations Platoon	Dow Field, Bangor, Me.		6	22
1 - Section "A"			(6)	(16)
1 - Section "C"				(4)
1 - Section "D"				(2)
			6	22
Operations Platoon	Mitchel Field, N.Y.		8	41
1 - Section "A"			(6)	(16)
1 - Section "B"			(2)	(5)
3 - Sections "C"				(12)
1 - Section "D"				(2)
1 - Section "C"	Miller Field, Staten Island, N.Y.			(4)
1 - Section "D"				(2)
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Unit Assignment

UNIT	STATION	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH O	WO	EM
Operations	Stewart Field, West Point,			8
1 - Section "C"	N.Y.			(4)
2 - Sections "D"				(4)
				8
Operations Platoon	Westover Field, Mass.			8
1 - Section "C"				(4)
2 - Sections "D"				(4)
				8
	TOTAL First Air Force	2	30	179

922nd QM Co. Boat (Avn) Third Air Force

UNIT	STATION	O	WO	EM
Company Headquarters	Hq., Third Air Force, Tampa, Fla.	2		6
Operations Platoon	Drew Field, Fla.		14	63
2 - Sections "A"			(12)	(32)
1 - Section "B"			(2)	(5)
5 - Sections "C"				(20)
1 - Section "D"				(2)
1 - Section "D"	Orlando Army Air Base, Fla.			(2)
1 - Section "D"	Avon Bombing Range, Fla.			(2)
			14	63
Operations Platoon	Camp Davis, N.C.		2	17
1 - Section "B"			(2)	(5)
2 - Sections "C"				(8)
2 - Sections "D"	Columbia AAB, S.C.			(4)
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UNIT	STATION	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH O	WO	EM
Operations Platoon 2 - Sections "B" 1 - Section "C" 2 - Sections "D"	Dale Mabry Fld, Fla.		4 (4)	18 (10) (4) (4)
			4	18
Operations Platoon 1 - Section "B" 1 - Section "C" 6 - Sections "D"	Ft. Meyers, Fla.		2 (2)	21 (5) (4) (12)
			2	21
Operations Platoon 1 - Section "B" 2 - Sections "C"	Harding Fld., Baton Rouge, La.		2 (2)	13 (5) (8)
			2	13
Operations Platoon 1 - Section "A" 1 - Section "B" 3 - Sections "C"	Key Field, Miss.		8 (6) (2)	33 (16) (5) (12)
			8	33
Operations Platoon 3 - Sections "A" 3 - Sections "B" 5 - Sections "C" 7 - Sections "D"	McDill, Field, Fla.		24 (18) (6)	97 (48) (15) (20) (14)
			24	97
Operations Platoon 2 - Sections "A" 3 - Sections "B" 5 - Sections "C" 3 - Sections "D"	Morris Fld., Charlotte, N.C.		18 (12) (6)	73 (32) (15) (20) (6)
			18	73

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UNIT	STATION	O	WO	EM
Operations Platoon	Savannah, Ga. AAB		10	56
1 - Section "A"			(6)	(16)
2 - Sections "B"			(4)	(10)
5 - Sections "C"				(20)
5 - Sections "D"				(10)
			10	56
Operations Platoon	Wheeler-Sack, N.Y.			4
1 - Section "C"				(4)
				4
	TOTAL Third Air Force	2	84	401

923rd QM Co. Boat (Avn) Fourth Air Force

UNIT	STATION	O	WO	EM
Company Headquarters	McChord Fld, Wash.	2		6
Operations Platoon			6	34
1 - Section "A"			(6)	(16)
2 - Sections "C"				(8)
3 - Sections "D"				(6)
1 - Section "D"	Gray Field, Wash.			(2)
1 - Section "D"	Sherman Field, Kans.			(2)
		2	6	40
Operations Platoon	Hamilton Field, Calif.		12	76
2 - Sections "A"			(12)	(32)
5 - Sections "C"				(20)
9 - Sections "D"				(18)
2 - Sections "D"	Salt Lake City, Utah			(4)
1 - Section "D"	Oakland, Calif.			(2)
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UNIT	STATION	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH O	WO	EM
Operations Platoon	March Field, Calif.			
2 - Sections "A"			12	32
			(12)	(32)
			12	32
Operations Platoon	Portland AAB, Oregon			
1 - Section "A"			6	28
2 - Sections "C"			(6)	(16)
2 - Sections "D"				(8)
				(4)
			6	28
Operations Platoon	Paine Field, Everett, Wash.			
2 - Sections "A"			12	48
3 - Sections "C"			(12)	(32)
2 - Sections "D"				(12)
				(4)
			12	48
	TOTAL Fourth Air Force	2	48	224

1000th QM Co. Boat (Avn) — Proving Ground Command

UNIT	STATION	O	WO	EM
Company Headquarters	Elgin Field, Fla.	2		6
Operations Platoon				
2 - Sections "A"			16	90
2 - Sections "B"			(12)	(32)
9 - Sections "C"			(4)	(10)
6 - Sections "D"				(36)
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		2	16	96

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Unit Assignment

UNIT	STATION	O	WO	EM
Operations Platoon 1 - Section "D"	Edgewood Arsenal, Md.			2 (2) 2
Operations Platoon 1 - Section "D"	Phillips Field, Aberdeen, Md.			2 (2) 2
TOTAL Proving Ground Command		2	16	100

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Technical Training Command (Page 1) (Inclosure #2)

3rd District

Unit	Assignment	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH O	WO	EM
1002nd QM Co. Boat (Avn)				
Company Headquarters	Keesler Field, Miss.	2		6
Operations Platoon			6	24
1 - Section "A"			(6)	(16)
1 - Section "C"				(4)
2 - Section "D"				(4)
		2	6	30
	5th District			
Operations Platoon	Boca Raton, Fla.		2	15
1 - Section "B"			(2)	(5)
1 - Section "C"				(4)
3 - Sections "D"				(6)
			2	15
Operations Platoon	Miami, Fla.		2	21
1 - Section "B"			(2)	(5)
4 - Sections "C"				(16)
			2	21
	TOTAL Technical Training Com'd	2	10	66

1003rd QM Co. Boat (Avn) — Southeast Flying Training Center

UNIT	STATION	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH O	WO	EM
Company Headquarters	Tyndall Field, Fla.	2		6
Operations Platoon			16	76
2 - Sections "A"			(12)	(32)
2 - Sections "B"			(4)	(10)
4 - Sections "C"				(16)
8 - Sections "D"				(16)
1 - Section "D"	Apalachicola, Fla.			(2)
		2	16	82
	TOTAL Southeast Flying Training Center	2	16	82

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1004th QM Co. Boat (Avn) CONFIDENTIAL DECLASSIFIED Gulf Coast Air Force Training Center (Page 2)
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Unit Assignment

UNIT	STATION	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH O	WO	EM
Company Headquarters	Foster Field, Tex.	2		6
Operations Platoon				
2 - Sections "A"			20	92
4 - Sections "B"			(12)	(32)
5 - Sections "C"			(8)	(20)
4 - Sections "D"				(20)
1 - Section "C"	Killington Field, Tex.			(8)
1 - Section "C"	Fort Crockett, Tex.			(4)
1 - Section "D"	Goodfellow Field, Tex.			(4)
1 - Section "D"	Tarrant Field, Tex.			(2)
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		2	20	98
Operations Platoon	Harlingen Gunnery School, Texas		10	36
1 - Section "A"			(6)	(16)
2 - Sections "B"			(4)	(10)
2 - Sections "C"				(8)
2 - Sections "D"				(4)
			10	38
	TOTAL Gulf Coast Air Force Training Center	2	30	136

1005th QM Co. Boat (Avn) Air Transport Command

UNIT	STATION	O	WO	EM
Company Headquarters	Morrison Field, Fla.	2		6
Operations Platoon				
1 - Sectoin "A"			6	42
3 - Sections "C"			(6)	(16)
7 - Sections "D"				(12)
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		2	6	48

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UNIT	STATION	O	WO	EM
Operations Platoon 1 - Section "A" 1 - Section "C" 1 - Section "D"	Homestead, Fla.		6 (6)	22 (16) (4) (2)
			6	22
Operations Platoon 1 - Section "A" 2 - Sections "C"	Miami 36th St. Airport, Fla.		6 (6)	24 (16) (8)
			6	24
Operations Platoon 1 - Section "D"	Manitoba, Canada, Churchill			2 (2)
				2
	TOTAL Air Transport Command	2	18	96

1006th QM Co. Boat (Avn) — Air Service Command

UNIT	STATION	O	WO	EM
Company Headquarters Operations Platoon 1 - Section "C" 1 - Section "D"	New Orleans Air Base, La.	2		6 6 (4) (2)
		2		12
Operations Platoon 1 - Section "C" 3 - Sections "D"	Brookley Field, Mobile, Ala.			10 (4) (6)
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Unit	Assignment			
UNIT	STATION	O	WO	EM
Operations Flatcom 3 - Sections "C" 7 - Sections "D"	Selfridge Field, Mich.			26 (12) (14)
				26
Operations Flatcom 1 - Section "D"	Hensley Field, Tex.			2 (2)
				2
Operations Flatcom 2 - Sections "D"	Olmsted, Pa.			4 (4)
				4
	TOTAL Air Service Command	2	0	54

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the Hq & Hq Sqs, Second and Third Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be re-organized immediately in accordance with Table of Organization 1-800-1, January 15, 1943; specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication:

Hq & Hq Sq, Second Air Force
Hq & Hq Sq, Third Air Force

1. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

2. The date of re-organization and authorized strength of these units will be reported immediately to the appropriate Service Command.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

SUBJECT: Re-Organization of the Hq & Hq Sqs, Second and Third Air Forces.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Directorate
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding Generals, Second and Third Air Forces and the Director of War Organization and Movement, January 26, 1943 and is necessary due to the increased activities with these Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization and Disbandment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command re-organize the 8th Airways Squadron in accordance with Table of Organization 1-8875 (8), dated October 15, 1942 (less Columns 8 thru 14, inclusive) with an authorized strength of nine officers and 101 men.

1. This re-organization does not authorize any change of station or assignment.

2. Concurrently with this action, the following units will be disbanded, all personnel and equipment to be absorbed in the 8th Airways Squadron:

50th Airways Detachment
51st Airways Detachment
52nd Airways Detachment

3. All personnel now assigned to the 8th Airways Squadron under the control of Commands other than the Newfoundland Base Command will be relieved from assignment to the 8th Airways Squadron and transferred to units under the control of the commanders (Commanding Officer, Greenland Base Command and Commanding Officer, U.S. Troops at Goosebay, Labrador) concerned.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Date of re-organization.
b. Date of disbandment of Airways Detachments.
c. Units absorbing personnel referred to in Paragraph 3, above.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command
Commanding Officer, Greenland Base Command
Commanding Officer, U.S. Troops in Goosebay, Labrador

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Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command, August 6, 1942 and a directive from Operations Division as indicated on disposition form OPD 320.2 NBC (11-6-42), Subject "Table of Organization for 8th Airways Squadron", dated January 5, 1943.

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Re-Organization of the Hq & Hq Sq, First Air Force.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the Hq & Hq Sq, First Air Force.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, First Air Force be reorganized immediately in accordance with Table of Organization 1-800-1, Jan. 15, 1943. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

1. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

2. The date of re-organization and authorized strength of these units will be reported immediately to the appropriate Service Command.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich.
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, First Air Force and the Director of War Organization and Movement, Jan. 25, 1943 and is necessary due to the increased activities within this Air Force.

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Re-Organization of the Hq & Hq Sq, Fourth Air Force

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY
Colonel, A.G.D.,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the Hq & Hq Sq, Fourth Air Force.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, Fourth Air Force be reorganized immediately in accordance with Table of Organization 1-800-1, January 15, 1943. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

1. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFUAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

2. The date of re-organization and authorized strength of these units will be reported immediately to the appropriate Service Command.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

Concurrences:

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force and the Director of War Organization and Movement, Jan. 25, 1943 and is necessary due to the increased activities within this Air Force.

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Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

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Memo for TAG,
above subject.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation
6th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	6th Photographic Sq (L)
8th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	8th Photographic Sq (L)
9th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	9th Photographic Sq (L)
12th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	12th Photographic Sq (L)
13th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	13th Photographic Sq (L)
17th Photographic Reconnaissance Sq	17th Photographic Sq (L)
18th Photographic Mapping Sq	18th Photographic Sq (Hy)

1. This action does not authorize any change of station, strength or assignment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography)
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in India, China and Burma
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force and CG, SPA
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
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All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Concurrences:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Photography, January 11, 1943. All Photographic Squadrons are similarly equipped with cameras within installation limitations and are capable of securing and producing all classes of photographic information within the operational range of the airplane, navigational range of the pilot or performance and tactical employment possibilities of the airplane. The designation as Photographic Squadrons (L) and Photographic Squadrons (Hv) is in conformance with the type of aircraft which they are equipped.

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Station Complement and Airdrome Squadrons.

AG/AS, Training.

3 August 1943

Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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1. The attached data concerning lack of training station complement and airdrome squadrons is forwarded for your information.

2. It is desired that necessary action be taken to insure that the Air Forces responsible for the training of these organizations continuously follow up the progress of training in order that units will not reach ports of embarkation in unsatisfactory shape.

1 Incl
SECRET memo for Gen. Perrin frm Gen. Whitten dated 30 Jul 43 this subj w/4 incls.

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Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL PERRIN

Subject: Station Complement and Airdrome Squadrons.

1. In reference to criticism from General McNarney and telephone conversation between General Perrin and General Strecett, the following information is furnished:

1. On 15 April 1943, this Headquarters requested the Third Air Force to provide information relative to the activation of additional station complement squadrons, copy of letter inclosed (Tab A).

2. On 2 May 1943, by letter (Tab B), the Third Air Force furnished this Headquarters with the station of activation, source of cadre and date of activation and estimated readiness date of the station complement squadrons providing certain cadres be furnished from other sources.

3. On 8 May 1943, this office forwarded to OCAR, Programs Branch, a request for the activation of the station complement squadrons stating that cadres for thirty-six (36) of these units and all filler personnel to be furnished by the Technical Training Command. This action was coordinated with Colonel L. O. Ryan, Liaison Officer of Technical Training Command, and Major S. Smith, Enlisted Section of the AC/AS, Personnel, copy inclosed (Tab C).

4. AG Letter 320.2 (5-15-43)CB-I-AFRPC-M, dated 15 May 1943, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Station Complement Squadrons" activated these units with the specification that the Technical Training Command would furnish cadres for 65d to 88th inclusive and all filler personnel for the 22nd to 89th inclusive will be furnished by the Commanding General, AAF Technical Training Command.

5. On 25 June 1943, AG Letter 320.2 (24 June 1943)CB-I-AFRPC-M amended above letter to delete so much as applied to TTC furnishing cadre and fillers and directing that Third Air Force furnish this personnel.

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6. The above units were committed originally on 15 May 1943 by OCAR, Theatre Branch, on dates that Third Air Force estimated units would be ready.

7. The Theatre requested that unit and combined training be waived on these units, therefore, they are being moved overseas on original commitment date.

8. The following is a case history relative the deferment of the Airdrome Squadrons as indicated:

a. The 78th, 79th and 81st Airdrome Squadrons were activated 1 March 1943 by the Third Air Force. On 23 March 1943, these airdrome squadrons were offered for commitment by the Third Air Force for 1 July 1943. Nothing further was furnished from the Third Air Force to indicate that these units would not be able to meet the commitment date of 1 July 1943. Unit was deferred by IG Report.

b. The 66th Airdrome Squadron was activated 1 February 1943, and assigned to the Second Air Force. On 29 April 1943, the 66th Airdrome Squadron was substituted for the 23d Airdrome Squadron at the request of the Second Air Force to be available for shipment on 1 July 1943. No information received from the Second Air Force has indicated that this unit would not be able to meet its commitment date, 1 July 1943. Unit was deferred by IG Report.

c. The 97th Airdrome Squadron was activated 5 April 1943, and assigned to Second Air Force; this unit was offered for commitment for overseas shipment on 1 July 1943 by the Second Air Force on 2 May 1943. No further information has been received to indicate that this unit would not be able to meet its commitment date. Unit was deferred by IG Report.

L. P. WHITTEN
Brig. General, U. S. A.
Chief, Supply & Services Division
Assistant Chief of Air Staff
Materiel, Maintenance & Distribution

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Station Complement Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Third Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General thereof as indicated:

Unit	Station of Activation	Date of Activation
22nd Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
23rd Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
24th Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
25th Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
26th Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
27th Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
28th Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
29th Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
30th Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
31st Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
32nd Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Activation of the 91st Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 91st Fighter Control Squadron be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Otis Field, Massachusetts on March 25, 1943 in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated December 11, 1942 as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 Inclusive)	24	222
1 G.C.I. Control Team (Column 19)	2	26
3 D/F Teams (Column 20)	9	36
Total	26	284

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. The Commanding General, First Air Force will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

4. The station commander charged with activation of this unit will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation.

5. This unit will have priority rating of C-1-1560 for controlled items of equipment.

6. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances No. 1, July 1, 1942 and Change No. 1, September 25, 1942.

7. This unit will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching Table of Organization strength:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
April 25, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	May 25, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	June 18, 1943

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7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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1 Incl. - Personnel Schedule
91st Ftr Control Sq

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated March 4, 1943 from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject: Activation of the 91st Fighter Control Squadron, and is necessary to provide adequate control facilities in this area where this squadron will operate on completion of training. Total equipment is as follows: 1 Ftr Control Center, 1 G.C.I. Station, 1 Main Transmitting Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 4 Fixed D/F Stations, 1 Homing D/F Station, and 1 Mobile [illegible]. Activation of this unit has been coordinated verbally by [illegible] Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized [illegible] the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
2187 FIGHTER CONTROL SQUADRON

	Personnel required for Unit 20% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controllers	4	4
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
Total	10	5
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin. & Tech. Clerks	9	9
Af Radio Oper. & Mech.	1	
Radio Mech. CNS	14	22
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	1
Cook-Baker	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech.	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper.	1	3
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	9	27
Total	46	86
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical		1
Total		1
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin. & Tech. Clerk		1
Automotive Equip. Oper.		1
Medical NCO		1
Medical Tech.		1
Surgical Tech.	2	
Total	2	4

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

MAR 11 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 90th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 90th Fighter Control Squadron be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Dow Field, Maine, on March 15, 1943 in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated December 11, 1942 as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
1 G.C.I. Control Team (Column 19)	2	4
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)	0	10
5 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	50
Total	26	286

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, First Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The station commander charged with activation of this unit will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation.

4. This unit will have priority rating of C-1-1538 for controlled items of equipment.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances No. 1, July 1, 1942 and Change No. 1, September 25, 1942.

6. This unit will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching Table of Organization strength:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
April 15, 1943 (See Incl #1)	May 15, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	June 8, 1943

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7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAS - Publication Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-5A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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1 Incl. Personnel Schedule
90th Ftr. Control Sq

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in RAR dated March 8, 1943 from Air Defense to Program Planning, Subject: Activation of the 90th Fighter Control Squadron, and is necessary to provide adequate control facilities in this area where this squadron will operate on completion of training. Total equipment is as follows: 1 Ftr. Control Center, 1 Main Transmitting Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 1 Relay Station, 6 Fixed D/F Stations and 2 Mobile D/F Stations. Activation of this unit has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the First Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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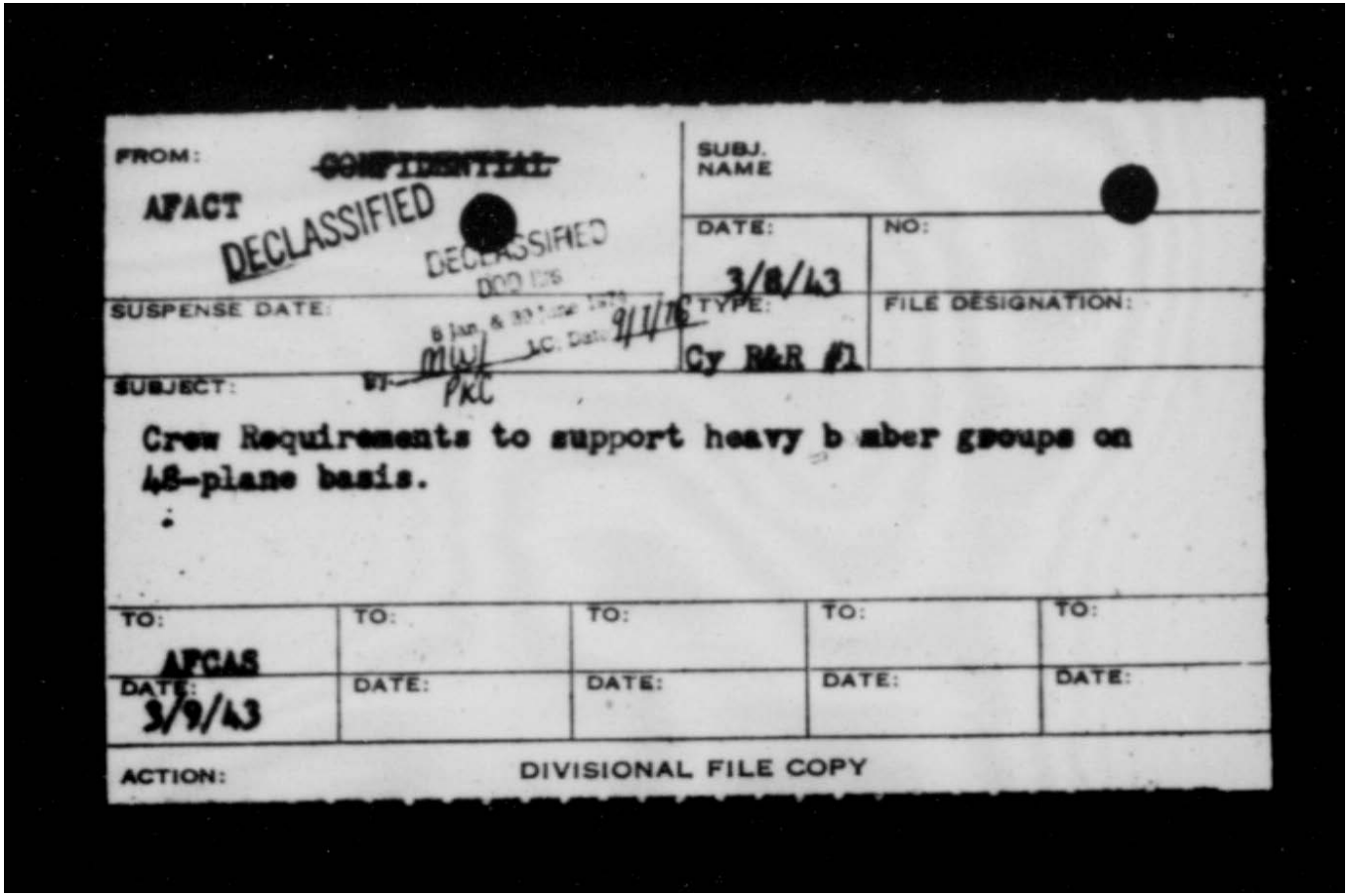

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
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	Personnel required for Unit 20% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controllers	4	4
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
Total	10	5
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin. & Tech. Clerks	9	9
AF Radio Oper. & Mech.	1	
Radio Mech. CNS	19	27
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	1
Cook-Baker	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech.	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper.	1	3
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	11	20
Total	53	84
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical	1	1
Total	1	1
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin. & Tech. Clerk		1
Automotive Equip. Oper.		1
Medical NCO		1
Medical Tech.		1
Surgical Tech.	2	
Total	2	4

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Activation of 93rd Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 93rd Fighter Control Squadron be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Bradley Field, Connecticut on March 20, 1943 in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated December 11, 1942 as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 Inclusive)	24	222
1 G.C.I. Control Team (Column 19)	2	4
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)		10
4 D/F Teams (Column 20)		40
Total	26	276

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, First Air Force will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The station commander charged with activation of this unit will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation.

4. This unit will have priority rating of C-1-1554 for controlled items of equipment.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances No. 1, July 1, 1942 and Change No. 1, September 25, 1942.

6. This unit will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching Table of Organization strength:

Date to Reach 20% Strength	Date to Reach 60% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
April 20, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	May 20, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	June 19, 1943

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7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAS - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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1 Incl. - Personnel Schedule
93rd Fighter Control Sq

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in SSR dated March 5, 1943 from Air Defense to Program Planning, Subject: Activation of the 93rd Fighter Control Squadron, and is necessary to provide adequate control facilities in this area where this squadron will operate on completion of training. Total equipment is as follows: 1 Ftr Control Center, 1 G.C.I. Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 1 Main Transmitting Station, 5 Fixed D/F Stations, 1 Homing D/F Station, 1 Mobile D/F Station, 1 Relay Station. Activation of this unit has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the First Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
21ST FIGHTER CONTROL SQUADRON

	Personnel required for Unit 20% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controllers	4	4
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
Total	10	5
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin. & Tech. Clerks	9	9
AF Radio Oper. & Mech.	1	
Radio Mech. CBS	22	31
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	1
Cook-Baker	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech.	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper.	1	3
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	13	31
Total	58	99
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical		1
Total		1
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin. & Tech. Clerk		1
Automotive Equip. Oper		1
Medical WOO		1
Medical Tech.		1
Surgical Tech.	2	
Total	2	4

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By ... NARS, Date 9/7/76

Crew Requirements to support heavy bomber groups on 48-plane basis.

Director of Military Requirements 2/2/43

Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, A-3 1

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1. It has been reported to this division by the Asst. C. of A/S, A-1 that, whereas in aircraft the Army Air Forces may be prepared to support their heavy bomber groups on the 48-plane basis by early summer, aircraft will not be available for this enlarged effort, per group, until the fall of 1943.

2. If the preliminary survey discussed in paragraph one of above is confirmed by detailed studies on the part of your office, it is desired that you submit your recommendations to bring crew production in line with aircraft production.

3. It is requested that your consideration include the following factors:

a. Revision upward of the trainee target schedules for Flying Training Command over and above the schedules approved in conjunction with the request "273 group saturation program." In this regard state what equipment for added personnel intake will be required to bring the crew production into phase.

b. Consider what steps are necessary in retarding the other portions of the "273 group saturation program" in order to provide sufficient crews for the heavy bomber groups. Such retarding of the other programs may include your recommendations regarding holding action for other groups in this country and thereby delaying the period on which they enter into active crew and aircraft attrition.

4. It is to be noted that there appears a necessity to go to the 48-plane heavy bomber basis as soon as possible, rather than to accelerate the forming of groups under present schedules, in order to conserve overall manpower.

5. It is recommended that in your study of the problem of personnel available to meet requirements you consider the distribution factor involved in making personnel available to the places where operations require them to be. For instance if there are 10,000 navigators on hand in the Army Air Forces as of July 1st and a T/O requirement all over the world of 10,000, it cannot be assumed that the requirement is met, for the entire number of navigators is not available at any one time at all the places where navigators are required, owing to an unavoidable "pipeline" lag.

6. Request your reply coordinated with Program Planning and Director of Personnel.

BARNEY M. GIFFORD
Brigadier General, U.S.A.

cy to: Chief of the Air Staff
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Organization of the 430th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy)

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 430th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) be organized at the Army Air Base, Orlando, Florida by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, on March 20, 1943 using Table of Organization 1-117, dated July 1, 1942, as a guide. This unit will remain assigned to the 9th Bombardment Group (Heavy).

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Cadre, fillers and replacements will be furnished from units under the control of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

3. This unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Equipment 1-117.

4. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (AFMAG-Publications Section-20 copies) and The Adjutant General, giving the following information:

a. Unit organized
b. Date of organization
c. Source of cadre
d. Size of cadre

5. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Service Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in A&R dated March 2, 1943, from Bombardment to Program Planning, Subject: "Activation of Bombardment Squadron" and is necessary to provide the 9th Bombardment Group with its fourth squadron. Activation is not necessary because the 9th Bombardment Group was not inactivated but transferred, less personnel and equipment from an overseas station to a station in the continental United States. Three squadrons of this group have been organized previously at Orlando, Florida.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment of Certain Army Air Forces Glider Training Detachments.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th Army Air Forces Glider Training Detachments be disbanded immediately. All personnel and equipment will be absorbed in units under the control of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Flying Training Command, January 27, 1943, and the Director of Individual Training March 2, 1943, and is necessary due to the decrease in the Glider Training program.

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Constitution and Activation of the Hq. 9th Transport Transition Training Detachment.

A.C. of S., OPD

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.....

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Hq. 7th Transport Transition Training Detachment.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq. 7th Transport Transition Training Detachment be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Air Transport Command at Edmonton, Alberta, Canada immediately.

1. The attached Personnel Allotment Table will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Air Transport Command will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with a special list to be submitted by the Commanding General, Air Transport Command (2 copies only) to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Base Services).

6. Army Air Forces Regulation 15-34 and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)

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Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (2 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Correspondence:

A.G. of S., OPD ( )

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and request from the Commanding General, Air Transport Command, February 20, 1943, and is necessary to handle officers and enlisted men in training with a commercial airline at this location. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 50th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 50th Fighter Control Squadron be reorganized as indicated on April 1, 1943 by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, December 11, 1942 without change of station or assignment.

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
2 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	20
2 G.C.I. Control Teams (Column 19)	4	8
4 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)	0	12
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)	0	10
Total	28	272

1. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, will supply fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnal Status Report).

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAS - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General by letter giving the date of reorganization.

4. The station commander charged with reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of reorganization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated March 6, 1943 from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject as above, and is necessary to provide personnel to operate the following equipment: 1 Fighter Control Center (augmented), 1 Main Transmitting Station (fixed), 1 Main Receiving Station (fixed), 8 Fixed D/F Stations (fixed), 1 Homing D/F Stations (fixed), 1 Forward Relay Station (mobile), 1 Homing D/F Station (mobile). The action has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 86th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 86th Fighter Control Squadron be reorganized as indicated on March 20, 1943 by the Commanding General, First Air Force in accordance with Table of Organization 1-67, December 11, 1942 without change of station or assignment.

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
1 G.C.I. Control Team (Column 19)	2	4
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)	0	10
4 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	40
Total	26	276

1. The Commanding General, First Air Force will supply fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General by letter giving the date of reorganization.

4. The station commander charged with reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of reorganization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated March 8, 1943 from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject as above, and is necessary to provide personnel to operate the following equipment: 1 Ftr Control Center, 1 G.C.I. Station, 3 Main Transmitting Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 4 Fixed D/F Stations, 1 Homing D/F Station, 2 Mobile D/F Stations and 1 Relay Station. The action has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the First Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 57th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 57th Fighter Control Squadron be reorganized as indicated on March 20, 1943, by the Commanding General, First Air Force in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, December 11, 1942 without change of station or assignment.

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 18 inclusive)	24	222
1 G.C.I. Control Team (Column 19)	2	4
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)	0	10
3 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	30
Total	26	266

1. The Commanding General, First Air Force will supply fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General by letter giving the date of reorganization.

4. The station commander charged with reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of reorganization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding Officer, Army Air Base, Boston, Mass.
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in RAR dated March 8, 1943 from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject as above, and is necessary to provide personnel to operate the following equipment: 1 Ftr Control Center, 1 G.C.I. Station, 1 Main Transmitting Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 5 Fixed D/F Stations, 1 Homing D/F Station, 1 Mobile D/F Station, and 1 Relay Station. The action has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the First Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 33rd Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 33rd Fighter Control Squadron be reorganized as indicated on March 20, 1943 by the Commanding General, First Air Force in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, December 11, 1942 without change of station or assignment.

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
1 G.C.I. Control Team (Column 19)	2	4
2 Radio Relay Teams (Column 22)	0	20
6 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	60
Total	26	306

1. The Commanding General, First Air Force will supply fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General by letter giving the date of reorganization.

4. The station commander charged with reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of reorganization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding Officer, Philadelphia Municipal Airport, Philadelphia, Pa.
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in ltr dated March 5, 1943, from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject as above, and is necessary to provide personnel to operate the following equipment: 1 Ftr Control Center, 1 G.C.I. Station, 1 Main Transmitting Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 7 Fixed D/F Stations, 1 Homing D/F Station, 1 Mobile D/F Station, and 2 Relay Stations. The action has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the First Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reassignment of Certain Sections of Operational Platoons, Quartermaster Company, Boat (Aviation).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following Operational Sections of Quartermaster Company Boat (Avn) be relieved of their present assignment and be reassigned as follows without change of station:

Fld and Unit	Present Assignment	New Assignment
Section "D" of Oper Plat, QM Co, Boat (Avn) Gray Fld, Washington	923rd QM Co, Boat (Avn) Fourth Air Force	922nd QM Co, Boat (Avn) Third Air Force
Opns Plat, QM Co Boat (Avn), Selfridge Field, ~~Washington~~ Michigan	1006th QM Co, Boat (Avn) Air Service Command	922nd QM Co Boat (Avn), Third Air Force

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Chief of Transportation, Air
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Sgd/

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in [illegible] dated March 6, 1943 from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject as above, and is necessary to provide personnel to operate the following equipment: 1 Fighter Control Center, mobile, 3 Transmitting Stations, mobile, 3 Receiving Stations, mobile, and 4 D/F Stations, mobile. The action has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with H&B, Base Services to Program Planning, February 24, 1945, subject: "Transfer of Certain Quartermaster Co, Boat (Avn)", requesting that one section "D", operational platoon, be transferred to the operations section of 922nd QM Co, Boat (Avn) and the platoon at Selfridge Field be transferred to the 922nd QM Co, Boat (Avn) under the Third Air Force.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of the 445th Fighter Squadron (Sp).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 445th Fighter Squadron (Sp) be redesignated as the 445th Fighter Squadron (Twin Engine)(Sp) and re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-37, July 1, 1942.

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The station commander charged with the re-organization of this unit will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of re-organization.

3. This action will involve no change of station or assignment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense, March 4, 1943 and is necessary since (a) three P-38's are now assigned and additional ones will be assigned when production permits, and (b) special development work to be carried on by this Squadron will necessitate the number of mechanics authorized in a Twin Engine Squadron.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, Hawaiian Department as indicated in radio #1618, March 8, 1943, and is necessary since the Hq, 18th Fighter Group is being transferred to the Thirteenth Air Force. Informal concurrence of OPD (Col. Eckhardt thru Colonel Gilman, AFTPU).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of Certain Troop Carrier Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be relieved from their present assignment and re-assigned as indicated:

Unit	New Assignment
8th Troop Carrier Squadron	10th Troop Carrier Group
27th Troop Carrier Squadron	10th Troop Carrier Group
38th Troop Carrier Squadron	10th Troop Carrier Group
14th Troop Carrier Squadron	61st Troop Carrier Group
15th Troop Carrier Squadron	61st Troop Carrier Group
53rd Troop Carrier Squadron	61st Troop Carrier Group
59th Troop Carrier Squadron	61st Troop Carrier Group
3rd Troop Carrier Squadron	62nd Troop Carrier Group
9th Troop Carrier Squadron	62nd Troop Carrier Group
52nd Troop Carrier Squadron	62nd Troop Carrier Group
60th Troop Carrier Squadron	62nd Troop Carrier Group
24th Troop Carrier Squadron	89th Troop Carrier Group
25th Troop Carrier Squadron	89th Troop Carrier Group
26th Troop Carrier Squadron	89th Troop Carrier Group
30th Troop Carrier Squadron	89th Troop Carrier Group
31st Troop Carrier Squadron	89th Troop Carrier Group

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Unit	New Assignment
29th Troop Carrier Squadron	313th Troop Carrier Group
47th Troop Carrier Squadron	313th Troop Carrier Group
48th Troop Carrier Squadron	313th Troop Carrier Group
49th Troop Carrier Squadron	313th Troop Carrier Group
32nd Troop Carrier Squadron	314th Troop Carrier Group
50th Troop Carrier Squadron	314th Troop Carrier Group
61st Troop Carrier Squadron	314th Troop Carrier Group
62nd Troop Carrier Squadron	314th Troop Carrier Group
55th Troop Carrier Squadron	375th Troop Carrier Group
56th Troop Carrier Squadron	375th Troop Carrier Group
57th Troop Carrier Squadron	375th Troop Carrier Group
58th Troop Carrier Squadron	375th Troop Carrier Group
63rd Troop Carrier Squadron	403rd Troop Carrier Group
64th Troop Carrier Squadron	403rd Troop Carrier Group
65th Troop Carrier Squadron	403rd Troop Carrier Group
66th Troop Carrier Squadron	403rd Troop Carrier Group
67th Troop Carrier Squadron	433rd Troop Carrier Group
68th Troop Carrier Squadron	433rd Troop Carrier Group
69th Troop Carrier Squadron	433rd Troop Carrier Group
70th Troop Carrier Squadron	433rd Troop Carrier Group
71st Troop Carrier Squadron	434th Troop Carrier Group
72nd Troop Carrier Squadron	434th Troop Carrier Group
73rd Troop Carrier Squadron	434th Troop Carrier Group
74th Troop Carrier Squadron	434th Troop Carrier Group

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1. The station commander charged with the re-assignment of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of re-assignment.

2. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay confirming these assignments.

II. That future re-assignments of Squadrons to Groups be made only on authority from the War Department or the Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Patapsco Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Sgd
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Support, March 6, 1943. Action in Paragraph II is necessary to prevent confusion in the War Department Service Commands and other interested agencies in the matter of assignments of Troop Carrier Squadrons to Troop Carrier Groups and to eliminate conflicting orders of assignments of Squadrons to Groups.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 31st Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 31st Fighter Control Squadron be reorganized as of April 1, 1943 by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, December 11, 1942 without change of station or assignment.

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	322
1 D/F Team (Column 20)	0	10
4 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)	0	12
Total	24	344

1. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, will supply fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General by letter giving the date of reorganization.

4. The station commander charged with reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of reorganization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Belmbird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and is necessary since, due to other high priority requirements, sufficient squadrons are not available to bring the 10th Troop Carrier Group (which has been designated by the Troop Carrier Command to become a Replacement Training Unit) up to strength for replacement training purposes. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Bombardment Operational Training Wings (M).

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Third Air Force effective March 31, 1943 as indicated:

Unit	Station	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq & Hq Sq, 48th Bombardment Operational Training Wing (M)	Barksdale Field, Louisiana	C-1-1568
Hq & Hq Sq, 49th Bombardment Operational Training Wing (M)	Columbia AAB, South Carolina	C-1-1569
Hq & Hq Sq, 50th Bombardment Operational Training Wing (M)	MacDill Field, Florida	C-1-1570

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1. Table of Distribution 1-1120-1, January 26, 1943 will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Third Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942, Change #1, September 25, 1942 and Change #2, January 8, 1943.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAO, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

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6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. S.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Relabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:
(Sgd)

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and requests from the Commanding General, Third Air Force, March 2 and the Director of Bombardment, March 9, 1943, and is necessary since the numerical size of the III Bomber Command and the geographical area over which it operates are such that the Headquarters of the III Bomber Command cannot exercise the desired supervisory control over the units under its jurisdiction. Personnel for these units will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of 92nd Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 92nd Fighter Control Squadron be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Westover Field, Massachusetts, on April 1, 1943, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated December 11, 1942 as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
1 G.C.I. Control Team (Column 19)	2	4
3 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	30
Total	26	256

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, First Air Force will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The station commander charged with activation of this unit will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation.

4. This unit will have priority rating of C-1-1578 for controlled items of equipment.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances No. 1, July 1, 1942 and Change No. 1, September 25, 1942.

6. This unit will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching Table of Organization strength:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
May 1, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	June 1, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	June 23, 1943

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7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942 and #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. O. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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1 Incl. - Personnel Schedule
92nd Fighter Control Sq

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated March 5, 1943, from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject: "Activation of the 92nd Fighter Control Squadron" and is necessary to provide adequate control facilities in this area where this squadron will operate on completion of training. Total equipment is as follows: 1 Ftr Control Center, 1 Main Transmitting Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 1 G.C.I. Station, 5 Fixed D/F Stations, and 1 Homing D/F Station. Activation of this unit has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the First Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
92ND FIGHTER CONTROL SQUADRON

	Personnel Required for Unit 20% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controllers	4	4
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
Total	10	5
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin. & Tech. Clerks	9	9
AF Radio Oper. & Mech.	1	
Radio Mech. CNS	14	22
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	1
Cook-Baker	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech.	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper.	1	3
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	9	27
Total	46	86
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical		1
Total		1
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin. & Tech. Clerk		1
Automotive Equip. Oper.		1
Medical NCO		1
Medical Tech.		1
Surgical Tech.	2	
Total	2	4

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be relieved from present assignment and re-assigned as indicated:

Unit	New Assignment
6th Night Fighter Squadron	15th Fighter Group
18th Fighter Control Squadron	15th Fighter Group
78th Fighter Squadron	15th Fighter Group
19th Fighter Squadron	318th Fighter Group

1. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay confirming this re-assignment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Molabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of 327th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 327th Fighter Control Squadron be constituted, assigned to the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Orlando, Florida, on March 20, 1943, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated December 11, 1942, as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	322
2 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	20
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)	0	10
3 Mess Teams (Column 17)	0	6
6 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)	0	18
TOTAL	24	376

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1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The station commander charged with activation of this unit will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation.

4. This unit will have priority rating of A-3(a)213 for controlled items of equipment.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances No. 1, July 1, 1942 and Change No. 1, September 25, 1942.

6. This unit will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching Table of Organization Strength:

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Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
April 20, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	May 20, 1943 (See Incl. #1)	June 15, 1943

7. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAS - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942 and #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #306, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated March 18, 1943, from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject: "Activation of the 327th Fighter Control Squadron" and is necessary to provide adequate control facilities in this area where this squadron will operate on completion of training. Total equipment is as follows: 1 Fighter Control Center, 1 Main transmitting station, 1 Main receiving station, 1 Relay Station, 5 or 6 Radio Links, 4 Mobile D/F Stations and 1 Homing D/F Station. Activation of this unit has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
327TH FIGHTER CONTROL SQUADRON

	Personnel Required for Unit 26% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controllers	3	3
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
TOTAL	9	4
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin. & Tech. Clerks	8	8
AF Radio Oper. & Mech.	1	
Radio Mech. CEM	19	27
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	1
Cook	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech.	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper.	1	3
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	19	25
TOTAL	60	88
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical		1
TOTAL		1
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin. & Tech. Clerk		1
Automotive Equip. Oper.		1
Medical NCO		1
Medical Tech.		1
Surgical Tech.	2	
TOTAL	2	4

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Fighter Control Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be reorganized as of April 1, 1943 by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, December 11, 1942, as indicated below without change of station or assignment:

UNIT	Officers	Enlisted Men
1st Fighter Control Squadron		
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
4 Mess Teams (Column 17)	0	8
4 G.C.I. Control Teams (Column 19)	8	16
1 D/F Team (Column 20)	0	10
6 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)	0	18
7 Radio Relay Teams (Column 22)	0	70
Total	32	344
14th Fighter Control Squadron		
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
4 Mess Teams (Column 17)	0	8
6 G.C.I. Control Teams (Column 19)	12	24
2 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	20
7 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)	0	21
2 Radio Relay Teams (Column 22)	0	20
Total	36	315

1. The Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, will supply fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and the Adjutant General by letter giving the date of reorganization.

4. The station commander charged with reorganization of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of reorganization.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Byd

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R's from Air Defense to Program Planning, dated March 9, 1943, subjects: "Reorganization of the 1st Fighter Control Squadron" and "Reorganization of the 14th Fighter Control Squadron". It is necessary to provide personnel to operate the following equipment:

1st Fighter Control Sq	14th Fighter Control Sq
1 Fighter Control Center	1 Fighter Control Center
1 Main Transmitting Station	1 Main Transmitting Station
1 Main Receiving Station	1 Main Receiving Station
7 Relay Stations	2 Relay Stations
6 Radio Links	7 Radio Links
3 Fixed D/F Stations	4 Fixed D/F Stations
1 Homing D/F Station	1 Mobile D/F Station
4 G.C.I. Stations	1 Homing D/F Station
	6 G.C.I. Stations

The action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces and has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the Fourth Air Force.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 418th Night Fighter Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 418th Night Fighter Squadron be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics at Orlando, Florida.

1. Table of Organization 1-67, October 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. This unit will have an A-5(a)-213 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942, Change #1, September 25, 1942.

6. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFDAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

7. This unit will be organized as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Date of Activation	Date to Reach 20% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
Apr. 1, 1943	May 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 23, 1943

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8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 25, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Defense, March 10, 1943. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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NIGHT FIGHTER SQUADRON, TWIN ENGINE

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	Personnel for 28% Strength	Additional Personnel for 50% Strength
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
2 Engine Pilots	3	3
Engineering	1	
Armament	1	
Communications	1	
Radio Observer (I)	3	3
Intelligence		1
Statistical	1	
Radio Officer (S)	1	
Adjutant	1	
Supply	1	
Total	13	7
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin & Tech Clerks	7	8
Draftsman		1
Armorer	2	
Power Turret-Gunsight Sp		2
AF Radio Mechanic	1	4
AF Radio Operator		1
AF Radio Mech & Oper	2	
AF Radio Mech (CW)	4	3
Radio Mech F	1	2
Radio Mech I	2	5
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	
Teletypewriter Mech	1	
Aerial Gunner	1	6
Airplane & Engine Mech	4	20
Airplane Electrical Sp	1	1
Airplane Instrument Sp	1	
Airplane Propeller Sp	1	
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	1	
Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker	1	
Machinist Group	1	
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	1	
Welder	1	
Cook-Baker	3	3
Photographic Lab Tech	1	
Automotive Equip Mech	2	1
Hvy Automotive Equip Oper	1	3
AF Painter		1
Carpenter	1	
All other Enlisted Men	1	7
Total	45	68

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Troop Carrier Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 79th and 80th Troop Carrier Squadrons be constituted, activated by the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command and assigned to the 10th Troop Carrier Group, effective March 15, 1943, at Baer Field, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

1. Table of Organization 1-317, July 1, 1942 will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFHAS, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

5. The 79th Troop Carrier Squadron will have a C-1-1579 and the 80th a C-1-1580 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted and activated effective April 1, 1943:

Unit and Priority Rating	Station of Activation	**Source of Cadre	Activated by CG and Assigned to
1884th Engr Avn Bn C-1-1581	Geiger Fld, Wash	922nd Engr Avn Regt	Second Air Force (Asgd to 922nd Engr Avn Regt)
1885th Engr Avn Bn C-1-1582	March Fld, Calif	854th Engr Avn Bn	Fourth Air Force (Asgd to 926th Engr Avn Regt)
1886th Engr Avn Bn C-1-1583	March Fld, Calif	860th Engr Avn Bn	Fourth Air Force (Asgd to 926th Engr Avn Regt)
*1887th Engr Avn Bn C-1-1584	March Fld, Calif	*855th Engr Avn Bn	Fourth Air Force (Asgd to 926th Engr Avn Regt)
*1888th Engr Avn Bn C-1-1585	MacDill Fld, Fla	*847th Engr Avn Bn	Third Air Force (Asgd to *927th Engr Avn Regt)
*1889th Engr Avn Bn C-1-1586	Davis-Monthan Fld, Tucson, Ariz	*849th Engr Avn Bn	Second Air Force

II. That the following units be constituted and activated effective May 1, 1943:

Unit and Priority Rating	Station of Activation	**Source of Cadre	Activated by CG and Assigned to
1890th Engr Avn Bn C-1-1587	March Fld, Calif	806th Engr Avn Bn	Fourth Air Force (Asgd to 926th Engr Avn Regt)

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Unit and Priority Rating	Station of Activation	**Source of Cadre	Activated by CG and Assigned to
1891st Engr Avn Bn C-1-1588	Geiger Fld, Wash	805th Engr Avn Bn	Second Air Force (Asgd to 922nd Engr Avn Regt)
1892nd Engr Avn Bn C-1-1589	Gowen Fld, Idaho	922nd Engr Avn Regt	Second Air Force
1893rd Engr Avn Bn C-1-1590	Gowen Fld, Idaho	922nd Engr Avn Regt	Second Air Force
*1894th Engr Avn Bn C-1-1591	MacDill Fld, Fla	*868th Engr Avn Bn	Third Air Force (Asgd to *927th Engr Avn Regt)
*1895th Engr Avn Bn C-1-1592	AAB Greenville, S.C.	*848th Engr Avn Bn	Third Air Force

*Negro Enlisted Personnel
**Source units will furnish one (1) commissioned officer of company grade with each cadre. This officer will accompany the cadre to the station of the new unit and become a part of the officer complement of the new unit when organized.

1. In accordance with Section III, Circular No. 28, WD, 1942, each source unit charged with furnishing a cadre will be responsible that the new unit for which it furnishes the cadre has in its possession administrative and training publications and a supply of blank forms sufficient to enable it to function until supplied through normal channels.

2. For source units now stationed in continental United States, if such units be ordered out of the continental limits of the United States before the cadre is normally withdrawn, the cadre will be attached to a suitable unit in the Air Force and its training continued until it is called for by the activating agency.

3. These units will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 5-415, dated April 1, 1942 with changes 1, 2 and 3 with an authorized strength of thirty-one (31) officers and seven hundred seventy-six (776) enlisted men including three (3) officers and fourteen (14) enlisted men attached medical and one (1) Chaplain and one (1) Chaplain's assistant.

4. The activating agencies will supply fillers and replacement personnel. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of A.A.F. Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

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5. No reduction in authorized enlisted strengths and grades of source units will be made as a result of this action. Personnel will be transferred in grade.

6. Priority ratings for controlled items of equipment will be as shown. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #5, dated December 1, 1942.

7. These units will be activated at cadre strength as of the dates indicated, and brought to full Table of Organization strength, as nearly as practicable, in accordance with the following schedule:

Units activated April 1, 1943	Units activated May 1, 1943
/Reach 25% T/O Strength by May 1	/Reach 25% T/O strength by June 1
/Reach 50% T/O strength by June 1	/Reach 50% T/O strength by July 1
Reach 100% T/O strength by June 23	Reach 100% T/O strength by July 24
0 Day, July 1, 1943	0 Day, August 1, 1943

/ See Personnel schedule attached.

8. The Station Commanders charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the dates of activation of such units.

9. A report will be submitted by the commanders concerned to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section) 20 copies, the Chief of Engineers, and The Adjutant General, without delay, giving the following information:

a. Units activated.
b. Dates of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

10. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

11. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #205, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Second Air Force

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Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Engineers
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Bolabird Quartermaster Depot, Md
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Inclosure:
Personnel Schedule.

Concurrences:
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R from Base Services to Program Planning, dated March 10, 1943, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Avn Units with the Army Air Forces", also R&R from Base Services to Program Planning dated March 13, 1943, same subject. The Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command has made available for return to continental U.S. the two cadres that are being furnished by the 805th and 806th Engr Avn Bns. Reference Secret Cable CBC #915, dated February 20, 1943. Shipping instructions are being prepared by Base Services. This action is in accordance with present Army Air Forces Expansion Program and personnel is within the authorized strength thereof. The activations desired above have been coordinated with the Air Force Engineers concerned by the Director of Base Services.

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Troop Basis Planning.

Asst. Chief of Air Staff, A-3

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1. Reference Comment No. 3, par. 1: the total overall figure is tentatively 8,208,00 officers, WAACs, and enlisted men. This figure breaks down approximately as follows:

7,500,000 enlisted men
375,000 WAAC's (not definitely determined)
333,000 officers

Civilian personnel will be governed in accordance with War Manpower Commission rulings.

2. Reference par. 2: The 120 to 125 ground divisions will represent a tentative marginal effort regarding manpower. However, it is not contemplated that the divisions will decrease when and if the manpower "squeeze" becomes greater. Under such conditions the training establishments will be partly absorbed. This absorption will be covered during the leveling off period and it is estimated by G-3 that sufficient replacement establishments will be continued to furnish necessary replacement units.

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O. A. ANDERSON,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.

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TO: Air Adjutant General

FROM: Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, A-3

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Noted.

ROBERT W. HARPER
Brigadier General, U.S.A.

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TO: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Plans

FROM: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, A-3

DATE 3/10/43

COMMENT NO. 3

WRB/ek/6701

1. Information is requested as to how commissioned personnel and civil employees of the War Department, such as air depot and Aberdeen Proving Ground employees, fit into the total Army figure when it comes to the matter of allocating manpower. It is noted that the inclosure refers only to "enlisted strength."

2. Is it to be concluded from the first quoted paragraph of Paragraph 3 of the inclosure that the ground divisions (120 to 125) are the marginal effort regarding manpower; that is, as the manpower squeeze becomes greater, the number of divisions decreases?

ROBERT W. HARPER
Brigadier General, U. S. A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-1
G-4
OPD
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Army Ground Forces
Services of Supply

Subject: Troop Basis Planning

1. This Division on February 5, 1943, submitted a memorandum to the Chief of Staff summarizing the current planning on the 1944 Troop Basis, and enumerated the factors considered. It was pointed out that the planning was being projected through June 30, 1944, only, so as to place the Troop Basis on the fiscal year rather than the calendar year, This proposal was made following a comment of the President that much confusion resulted from some agencies working on a calendar year, while the Director of the Budget operates on the fiscal year basis.

2. The view was expressed that approximately 750,000 men would be recovered from the 1943 Troop Basis, through reorganization and through adjustments in training establishments which would pass from an expansion status to a maintenance status during the period, for the creation of new field force units -- possibly 20 to 25 divisions and supporting troops.

3. In summation G-3 stated:

"All things considered, it now appears that an authorized enlisted strength of 7,500,000 will satisfy Army requirements at least to June 30, 1944; and that a divisional strength of 120 to 125 divisions can be attained within that strength."

The Chief of Staff amended this by inserting, immediately following the figures 7,500,000, the words "including WAACs" and approved the proposed procedure on February 5, 1943.

4. The above information is furnished for planning purposes.

By order of the Secretary of War:

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I. H. EDWARDS,
Major General,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

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Present Designation	New Designation
213th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1164th QM Co Service Group Avn
214th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1165th QM Co Service Group Avn
1st Signal Co Service Group	1001st Signal Co Service Group
2nd Signal Co Service Group	1002nd Signal Co Service Group
3rd Signal Co Service Group	1003rd Signal Co Service Group
4th Signal Co Service Group	1004th Signal Co Service Group
5th Signal Co Service Group	1005th Signal Co Service Group
6th Signal Co Service Group	1006th Signal Co Service Group
7th Signal Co Service Group	1007th Signal Co Service Group
8th Signal Co Service Group	1008th Signal Co Service Group
9th Signal Co Service Group	1009th Signal Co Service Group
10th Signal Co Service Group	1010th Signal Co Service Group
11th Signal Co Service Group	1011th Signal Co Service Group
13th Signal Co Service Group	1013th Signal Co Service Group
14th Signal Co Service Group	1014th Signal Co Service Group
15th Signal Co Service Group	1015th Signal Co Service Group
16th Signal Co Service Group	1016th Signal Co Service Group
17th Signal Co Service Group	1017th Signal Co Service Group
18th Signal Co Service Group	1018th Signal Co Service Group
19th Signal Co Service Group	1019th Signal Co Service Group
20th Signal Co Service Group	1020th Signal Co Service Group
21st Signal Co Service Group	1021st Signal Co Service Group
22nd Signal Co Service Group	1022nd Signal Co Service Group
23rd Signal Co Service Group	1023rd Signal Co Service Group
24th Signal Co Service Group	1024th Signal Co Service Group
25th Signal Co Service Group	1025th Signal Co Service Group
26th Signal Co Service Group	1026th Signal Co Service Group
27th Signal Co Service Group	1027th Signal Co Service Group
28th Signal Co Service Group	1028th Signal Co Service Group
29th Signal Co Service Group	1029th Signal Co Service Group
30th Signal Co Service Group	1030th Signal Co Service Group
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32nd Signal Co Service Group	1032nd Signal Co Service Group
33rd Signal Co Service Group	1033rd Signal Co Service Group
34th Signal Co Service Group	1034th Signal Co Service Group
35th Signal Co Service Group	1035th Signal Co Service Group
36th Signal Co Service Group	1036th Signal Co Service Group
37th Signal Co Service Group	1037th Signal Co Service Group
38th Signal Co Service Group	1038th Signal Co Service Group
39th Signal Co Service Group	1039th Signal Co Service Group
40th Signal Co Service Group	1040th Signal Co Service Group
41st Signal Co Service Group	1041st Signal Co Service Group
42nd Signal Co Service Group	1042nd Signal Co Service Group

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Present Designation	New Designation
43rd Signal Co Service Group	1043rd Signal Co Service Group
44th Signal Co Service Group	1044th Signal Co Service Group
46th Signal Co Service Group	1046th Signal Co Service Group
47th Signal Co Service Group	1047th Signal Co Service Group
48th Signal Co Service Group	1048th Signal Co Service Group
49th Signal Co Service Group	1049th Signal Co Service Group
50th Signal Co Service Group	1050th Signal Co Service Group
51st Signal Co Service Group	1051st Signal Co Service Group
52nd Signal Co Service Group	1052nd Signal Co Service Group
53rd Signal Co Service Group	1053rd Signal Co Service Group
54th Signal Co Service Group	1054th Signal Co Service Group
55th Signal Co Service Group	1055th Signal Co Service Group
56th Signal Co Service Group	1056th Signal Co Service Group
57th Signal Co Service Group	1057th Signal Co Service Group
58th Signal Co Service Group	1058th Signal Co Service Group
59th Signal Co Service Group	1059th Signal Co Service Group
60th Signal Co Service Group	1060th Signal Co Service Group
61st Signal Co Service Group	1061st Signal Co Service Group
62nd Signal Co Service Group	1062nd Signal Co Service Group
63rd Signal Co Service Group	1063rd Signal Co Service Group
64th Signal Co Service Group	1064th Signal Co Service Group
65th Signal Co Service Group	1065th Signal Co Service Group
66th Signal Co Service Group	1066th Signal Co Service Group
67th Signal Co Service Group	1067th Signal Co Service Group
68th Signal Co Service Group	1068th Signal Co Service Group
69th Signal Co Service Group	1069th Signal Co Service Group
70th Signal Co Service Group	1070th Signal Co Service Group
71st Signal Co Service Group	1071st Signal Co Service Group
72nd Signal Co Service Group	1072nd Signal Co Service Group
73rd Signal Co Service Group	1073rd Signal Co Service Group
74th Signal Co Service Group	1074th Signal Co Service Group
75th Signal Co Service Group	1075th Signal Co Service Group
76th Signal Co Service Group	1076th Signal Co Service Group
77th Signal Co Service Group	1077th Signal Co Service Group
78th Signal Co Service Group	1078th Signal Co Service Group
79th Signal Co Service Group	1079th Signal Co Service Group
80th Signal Co Service Group	1080th Signal Co Service Group
81st Signal Co Service Group	1081st Signal Co Service Group
82nd Signal Co Service Group	1082nd Signal Co Service Group
83rd Signal Co Service Group	1083rd Signal Co Service Group
84th Signal Co Service Group	1084th Signal Co Service Group
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Present Designation	New Designation
88th Signal Co Service Group	1088th Signal Co Service Group
89th Signal Co Service Group	1089th Signal Co Service Group
90th Signal Co Service Group	1090th Signal Co Service Group
91st Signal Co Service Group	1091st Signal Co Service Group
92nd Signal Co Service Group	1092nd Signal Co Service Group
93rd Signal Co Service Group	1093rd Signal Co Service Group
94th Signal Co Service Group	1094th Signal Co Service Group
95th Signal Co Service Group	1095th Signal Co Service Group
96th Signal Co Service Group	1096th Signal Co Service Group
97th Signal Co Service Group	1097th Signal Co Service Group
98th Signal Co Service Group	1098th Signal Co Service Group
99th Signal Co Service group	1099th Signal Co Service Group
100th Signal Co Service Group	1100th Signal Co Service Group
101st Signal Co Service Group	1101st Signal Co Service Group
102nd Signal Co Service Group	1102nd Signal Co Service Group
103rd Signal Co Service Group	1103rd Signal Co Service Group
104th Signal Co Service Group	1012th Signal Co Service Group
105th Signal Co Service Group	1045th Signal Co Service Group

II. That the following unit be redesignated and reorganized as indicated at the earliest practicable date by the Commander concerned:

Present Designation	New Designation
5th QM Truck Company	2130th QM Truck Co (Avn) (T/O 10-517, dated July 1, 1942 and TBA -10)

1. Excess personnel resulting from this reorganization, if any, will be carried as excess and absorbed by normal attrition.

III. That the units listed below, now inactive, be disbanded:

301st Signal Company, Air Force
302nd Signal Company, Air Force
303rd Signal Company, Air Force
304th Signal Company, Air Force
308th Signal Company, Air Force
310th Signal Company, Air Force
311th Signal Company, Air Force
312th Signal Company, Air Force
318th Signal Company, Air Wing
320th Signal Company, Air Wing
321st Signal Company, Air Wing

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331st Signal Company (Sep) (Constr)
332nd Signal Company (Sep) (Constr)
401st Signal Company, Bomber Command
421st Signal Company, Bomber Command
424th Signal Company, Bomber Command

IV. A report will be submitted by the Commanders concerned to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (APMG - Publications Section) 20 copies, and The Adjutant General without delay, giving the following information:

a. Confirmation of redesignation of units
b. Confirmation of Disbandment of units
c. Date of reorganization of 2130th QM Truck Co (Avn)

V. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Desert Training Center
Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces Middle East
Commanding General, American Forces, China, India, Burma
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command thru Eastern Defense Comd
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces in North Africa
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Quartermaster General
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)

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Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Relsbird Quartermaster Depot, Md
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrence:
OPD-WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is recommended in compliance with request of OPD-WDGS in Disposition Form of February 24, 1943, Subject: "List of Quartermaster and Signal Companies" and is desired in order to avoid duplication of numbers of units of the same Arm or Service throughout the Army. Colonel Coate of AFRBS concurs. Major Bittner of AFTSC concurs.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 807th Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 807th Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport be constituted, assigned to the 349th Air Evacuation Group, and activated by the I Troop Carrier Command at Bowman Field, Kentucky on May 1, 1943 in accordance with Table of Organization 8-447, November 30, 1942.

1. The Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command, will supply cadre, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. This unit is assigned a Priority Rating of C-1-1593 and will be equipped in accordance with Table of Equipment 8-447.

4. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Publications Section-AFMAG-20 copies) and The Adjutant General, giving the following information:

a. Unit activated
b. Date of activation
c. Size of cadre
d. Source of cadre

5. The Station Commander charged with the activation of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation of this unit.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

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V. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding Officer, Bowman Field, Kentucky
Commanding Officer, 349th Air Evacuation Group, Bowman Field, Kentucky
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Surgeon General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D., A.C.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Memorandum For Record: This action was requested in AAG, not dated but showing classification date of March 4, 1943 from the Air Surgeon to Program Planning, subject: "Request for Activation of the 807th Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport". The assignment of this unit to the 349th Air Evacuation Group was confirmed with the Air Surgeon (Colonel Baier). This action is in accordance with the expansion program and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in M&R's dated March 9, 1943, from Air Defense to Program Planning, subject: "Activation of the 94th Fighter Control Squadron" and "Activation of the 95th Fighter Control Squadron" and is necessary to provide adequate control facilities in the areas where these units will operate on completion of training. Total equipment is as follows:

94th Fighter Control Sq	95th Fighter Control Sq
1 Fighter Control Center	1 Fighter Control Center
1 Main Transmitting Station	1 Main Transmitting Station
1 Main Receiving Station	1 Main Receiving Station
1 G.C.I. Station	1 Relay Station
2 Relay Stations	1 Radio Link
8 Fixed D/F Stations	3 Fixed D/F Stations
2 Mobile D/F Stations	1 Mobile D/F Station
1 Homing D/F Station	1 Homing D/F Station

The action has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the First Air Force and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Change in station of the 94th Fighter Control Squadron from Bolling Field, as shown originally on M&R, to Ft. Niagra, N.Y., was requested by Air Defense (Lt. McLain).

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE
24TH FIGHTER CONTROL SQUADRON

	Personnel Required for Unit 28% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controllers	4	4
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
TOTAL	10	5
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin. & Tech. Clerks	9	9
AF Radio Oper. & Mech.	1	
Radio Mech. CNS	30	30
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	1
Cook-Baker	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech.	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper.	1	3
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	14	33
TOTAL	67	100
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical		1
TOTAL		1
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin. & Tech. Clerk		1
Automotive Equip. Oper.		1
Medical NCO		1
Medical Tech.		1
Surgical Tech.	2	
TOTAL	2	4

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE

28TH FIGHTER CONTROL SQUADRON

	Personnel Required for Unit 28% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 50% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controllers	3	3
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
TOTAL	9	4
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin. & Tech. Clerks	8	8
AF Radio Oper. & Mech.	1	
Radio Mech. CRS	17	26
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	1	1
Cook-Baker	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech.	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper.	1	3
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	9	28
TOTAL	48	90
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical		1
TOTAL		1
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin. & Tech. Clerk		1
Automotive Equip. Oper.		1
Medical NCO		1
Medical Tech.		1
Surgical Tech.	2	
TOTAL	2	4

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Disbandment and Reorganization of Certain Quartermaster and Signal Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated without change of station, assignment, authorized strength or grades:

Present Designation	New Designation
101st QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1087th QM Co Service Group Avn
102nd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1088th QM Co Service Group Avn
103rd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1089th QM Co Service Group Avn
104th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1090th QM Co Service Group Avn
105th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1091st QM Co Service Group Avn
106th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1092nd QM Co Service Group Avn
107th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1093rd QM Co Service Group Avn
108th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1094th QM Co Service Group Avn
109th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1095th QM Co Service Group Avn
110th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1096th QM Co Service Group Avn
111th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1097th QM Co Service Group Avn
112th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1098th QM Co Service Group Avn
113th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1099th QM Co Service Group Avn
114th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1100th QM Co Service Group Avn
115th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1101st QM Co Service Group Avn
117th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1102nd QM Co Service Group Avn
118th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1103rd QM Co Service Group Avn
151st QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1104th QM Co Service Group Avn
152nd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1105th QM Co Service Group Avn
153rd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1106th QM Co Service Group Avn
154th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1107th QM Co Service Group Avn
155th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1108th QM Co Service Group Avn
156th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1109th QM Co Service Group Avn
157th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1110th QM Co Service Group Avn
158th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1111th QM Co Service Group Avn
159th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1112th QM Co Service Group Avn
160th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1113th QM Co Service Group Avn
161st QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1114th QM Co Service Group Avn
162nd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1115th QM Co Service Group Avn
163rd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1116th QM Co Service Group Avn
164th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1117th QM Co Service Group Avn

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Present Designation	New Designation
165th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1118th QM Co Service Group Avn
166th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1119th QM Co Service Group Avn
167th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1120th QM Co Service Group Avn
168th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1121st QM Co Service Group Avn
169th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1122nd QM Co Service Group Avn
170th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1123rd QM Co Service Group Avn
171st QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1124th QM Co Service Group Avn
172nd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1125th QM Co Service Group Avn
173rd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1126th QM Co Service Group Avn
174th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1127th QM Co Service Group Avn
175th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1128th QM Co Service Group Avn
176th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1129th QM Co Service Group Avn
177th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1130th QM Co Service Group Avn
178th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1131st QM Co Service Group Avn
179th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1132nd QM Co Service Group Avn
180th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1133rd QM Co Service Group Avn
181st QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1134th QM Co Service Group Avn
182nd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1135th QM Co Service Group Avn
183rd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1136th QM Co Service Group Avn
184th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1137th QM Co Service Group Avn
185th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1138th QM Co Service Group Avn
186th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1139th QM Co Service Group Avn
187th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1140th QM Co Service Group Avn
188th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1141st QM Co Service Group Avn
189th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1142nd QM Co Service Group Avn
190th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1143rd QM Co Service Group Avn
191st QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1144th QM Co Service Group Avn
192nd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1145th QM Co Service Group Avn
193rd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1146th QM Co Service Group Avn
194th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1147th QM Co Service Group Avn
195th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1148th QM Co Service Group Avn
196th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1149th QM Co Service Group Avn
197th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1150th QM Co Service Group Avn
198th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1151st QM Co Service Group Avn
199th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1152nd QM Co Service Group Avn
200th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1153rd QM Co Service Group Avn
201st QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1154th QM Co Service Group Avn
202nd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1155th QM Co Service Group Avn
203rd QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1156th QM Co Service Group Avn
204th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1157th QM Co Service Group Avn
205th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1158th QM Co Service Group Avn
206th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1159th QM Co Service Group Avn
207th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1160th QM Co Service Group Avn
208th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1161st QM Co Service Group Avn
211th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1162nd QM Co Service Group Avn
212th QM Co Service Group (Avn)	1163rd QM Co Service Group Avn

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned as indicated:

Unit	Station and Date of Activation	Activated by CG and Assigned to
Hq. 401st Bombardment Gp (Hy) 612th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 613th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 614th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 615th Bombardment Sq (Hy)	Ephrata, Wash. April 1, 1943	Second Air Force
Hq. 445th Bombardment Gp (Hy) 700th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 701st Bombardment Sq (Hy) 703rd Bombardment Sq (Hy) 703rd Bombardment Sq (Hy)	Gowen Field, Idaho April 1, 1943	Second Air Force
Hq. 446th Bombardment Gp (Hy) 704th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 705th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 706th Bombardment Sq (Hy) 707th Bombardment Sq (Hy)	Davis-Monthan Field, Arizona April 1, 1943	Second Air Force
Hq. 397th Bombardment Gp (M) 596th Bombardment Sq (M) 597th Bombardment Sq (M) 598th Bombardment Sq (M) 599th Bombardment Sq (M)	MacDill Field, Florida April 20, 1943	Third Air Force

2. The following tables of organization will be used as guides in the organization of these units; specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication:

Hq. Bombardment Groups (Hy) and (M) - 1-112, July 1, 1942
Bombardment Squadrons (Hy) -- 1-117, July 1, 1942
Bombardment Squadrons (M) -- 1-127, July 1, 1942.

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2. The commander concerned will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

4. Units will be equipped in accordance with the following tables:

All Groups Headquarters	TE #1-112
Bombardment Squadrons (Hv)	TE #1-117
Bombardment Squadrons (M)	TE #1-127

5. These units will have the following priority ratings for controlled items of equipment:

401st Bombardment Group (Hv) — C-1-1601
445th Bombardment Group (Hv) — C-1-1602
446th Bombardment Group (Hv) — C-1-1603
397th Bombardment Group (M) — C-1-1604

6. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Unit	Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
401st Bombardment Group (Hv)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 24, 1943
445th Bombardment Group (Hv)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 24, 1943
446th Bombardment Group (Hv)	May 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 24, 1943
397th Bombardment Group (M)	May 20, 1943 (See Incl)	June 20, 1943 (See Incl)	July 13, 1943

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAS, Publications Section - 30 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

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9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #204, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.P. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Incl. Personnel Schedules

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and requests from the Director of Bombardment, March 1, 1943. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 24th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following unit be reorganized as of April 1, 1943, by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, December 11, 1942, as indicated below without change of station or assignment:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)	24	222
7 Mess Teams (Column 17)	0	14
2 G.C.I. Control Teams (Column 19)	4	8
4 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	40
6 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)	0	18
8 Radio Relay Teams (Column 22)	0	80
TOTAL	28	382

1. The Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, will supply fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AERMG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and the Adjutant General by letter giving the date of reorganization.

4. The station commander charged with reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of reorganization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces

(Sgd)
[redacted] E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in MAR from Air Defense to Program Planning, dated March 11, 1943, subject: Reorganization of the 24th Fighter Control Squadron. It is necessary to provide personnel to operate the following equipment: 1 Fighter Control Center, 1 Main Transmitting Station, 1 Main Receiving Station, 6 Relay Stations, 6 Radio Links, 2 G.C.I. Stations, 4 Fixed D/F Stations, 2 Mobile D/F Stations, and 1 Homing D/F Station. The action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army AirForces and has been coordinated verbally by Air Defense with the Fourth Air Force.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Fighter Control Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof at the stations indicated on April 1, 1943 in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47 dated December 11, 1942, as follows:

Unit & Priority Rating	Station	Officers	Enlisted Men
94th Fighter Control Sq (C-1-1594)	Ft. Niagra, N. Y.		
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)		24	222
1 G.C.I. Control Team (Column 19)		2	4
8 D/F Teams (Column 20)		0	80
2 Radio Relay Teams (Column 22)		0	20
	Total	26	326
95th Fighter Control Sq (C-1-1595)	Mitchel Field, N. Y.		
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive)		24	222
1 Mess Team (Column 17)		0	2
2 D/F Teams (Column 20)		0	20
1 Radio Link Team (Column 21)		0	3
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)		0	10
	Total	24	257

2. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. The Commanding General, First Air Force will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

4. The station commander charged with activation of these units will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change #1, September 25, 1942.

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5. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule and training will commence approximately seven days after reaching Table of Organization strength:

Date to Reach 20% Strength	Date to Reach 80% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
May 1, 1943 (See Incls. #1 & #2)	June 1, 1943 (See Incls. #1 & #2)	June 23, 1943

6. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General giving the following information:

a. Units activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Source of cadre.
d. Size of cadre.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, and #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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94th Fighter Control Sq
Incl. 2-Personnel Schedule
95th Fighter Control Sq

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	Personnel Required for unit 25% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit 50% Manned		
	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq + 4 Sq	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq + 4 Sq
Radio Observer (I or V)						
Radio Observer (M)						
Link Trainer Instructor						
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	0	1	4	0	1	4
Telephone & Telegraph Repair man						
Teletypewriter Mechanic	0	3	12	0	5	20
Teletype Operator						
Aerial Gunner						
Enlisted Airplane Pilot						
Enlisted Bombardier						
Enlisted Glider Pilot						
Enlisted Liasion Pilot - Mechanic						
Enlisted Service Pilot						
Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic	1	8	33	1	11	45
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (IM)						
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (DC)						
Army Airplane Mechanic -Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Electrical Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Hydraulic Specialist						
Airplane Instrument Specialist	0	1	4	0	1	4
Airplane Propeller Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Power Plant Specialist						
Airplane Cable Mechanic						
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	0	2	8	0	4	16
Airplane Woodworker						
Army Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker						
Fuel Tank Repairman						
Glider Mechanic						
Machinist						
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	0	0	0	0	0	0
Storage Batter Electrician						
Welder	0	2	8	0	2	8
Cook-Baker	2	3	14	3	10	43
Army Aerial Photographer						
Motion Picture Projectionist						
Photo Interpreter	0	0	0	1	0	1
Photographic Laboratory Technician						
Automotive Equipment Mechanic	0	2	8	0	2	8
Automotive Equipment Operator	0	7	28	0	11	44
Heavy Automotive Equipment Operator	0	4	16	0	8	32
Crash Boat Operator						
Air Forces Painter						
Carpenter	0	1	4	0	1	4
General Electrician						
Weather Forecaster						
Weather Observer						
Weather Observer - Teletypewriter technician						

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	Personnel Required for unit 25% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit 50% Manned		
	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq - 4 Sq	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq - 4 Sq
Radio Sone Operator						
Other Specialists						
All other Enlisted Men Group	2	6	26	2	10	42
Total Enlisted Men	15	57	243	26	115	486
OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES						
OFFICERS						
Corps of Chaplains	1	0	1	1	0	1
Medical Dept.	2	0	2	2	1	6
Ordnance Dept	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Officers	3	0	3	3	1	7
ENLISTED MEN						
Chemical Warfare Service	0	1	4	0	1	4
Medical Dept	3	1	7	3	4	19
Ordnance Dept.	0	4	16	0	9	38
Total Enlisted Men	3	5	27	3	14	61
AGGREGATE STRENGTH						
Officers	20	5	40	21	15	81
Enlisted Men	18	62	270	29	129	547

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Re Davidson Project

General Hamley, Deputy Chief of the Air Staff — March 19, 1943

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1. Reference conversation concerning the Davidson project, the following are the activation dates of B-26 Groups:

387th - November 8, 1942
391st - January 15, 1943
394th - March 5, 1943
397th - April 20, 1943
402nd - June 2, 1943

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Organization of the 16th Photographic Unit (Special Purpose).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 16th Photographic Unit (Special Purpose) be re-organized in accordance with the attached tentative table of organization. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

1. The station commander charged with the re-organization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of re-organization.

2. Any overages in personnel will be transferred in grades as directed by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography).

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFHAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of re-organization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Photography)
Commanding Officer, 1st Mapping Group, Bolling Field, D.C.
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Re-Organization of the 16th Photographic Unit (Special Purpose).

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)

JOHN H. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Att: Tentative Manning Table

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Photography, March 1, 1943. Laboratory personnel has been cut to a minimum; WAAC's will be utilized as a substitute. The strength under this table makes a reduction from 90 officers, two warrant officers, and 460 enlisted men to 77 officers, two warrant officers and 382 enlisted men.

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6. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Changes.

7. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable according to the following schedule, and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
May 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 1, 1943 (See Incl)	June 24, 1943

8. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #208, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. O.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Att: Table

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE - TROOP CARRIER GROUP

	Personnel Required for unit 25% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for unit 50% Manned		
	Gp Hq	1 Sq	Gp Hq - 4 Sq	Gp Hq	1 Sq	Gp Hq - 4 Sq
AAF PERSONNEL						
Officers						
4 Engine Pilot						
2 Engine Pilot	2	6	26	5	14	61
1 Engine Pilot						
Service Pilot						
Glider Pilot		1	4		1	4
Bombardier						
Navigator						
Bombardier- Navigator						
Observer						
Engineering		1	4		1	4
Armament						
Bombsight Maintenance						
Weather						
Communications				1		1
Radio (V-I)	1	1	5	1	1	5
Controller						
Photographic						
Intelligence	1	1	5	2	2	10
Photographic Interpreter						
Statistical	1	1	5	2	1	6
All other officers		2	8		4	16
Total Officers	5	12	53	11	24	107
Enlisted Men						
Administrative and Technical Clerk	10	12	58	19	24	115
Cryptographer						
Draftsman	1	1	5	1	1	5
Airplane Armorer					1	4
Airplane Armorer - Gunner						
Aerial Torpedo Mechanic						
Bombsight Mechanic						
Power Turret & Gunsight Specialist						
Air Forces Radio Mechanic						
Air Forces Radio Operator	1	2	9	2	11	46
Air Forces Radio Opr & Mech	1	2	9	1	3	13
AF Radio Opr - Mech Gunner						
Radio Operator (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (CMS)						
Army Control Tower Operator						
Radio Mechanic (F)						
Radio Mechanic (I or V)						
Radio Mechanic (H)						
Radio Observer (I or V)						
Radio Observer (H)						

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	Personnel Required For unit 25% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for unit 50% Manned		
	Gp Hq	1 Sq	Gp Hq - 4 Sq	Gp Hq	1 Sq	Gp Hq - 4 Sq
Link Trainer Instructor						
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman		1	4		1	4
Telephone & Telegraph Repair Man						
Teletypewriter Mechanic	1		1	1		1
Teletype Operator	2	1	6	4	2	12
Aerial Gunner						
Enlisted Airplane Pilot						
Enlisted Bombardier						
Enlisted Glider Pilot		3	12		6	24
Enlisted Liason Pilot - Mechanic						
Enlisted Service Pilot						
Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic	1	12	49	1	24	97
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (IN)						
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (DO)						
Army Airplane Mechanic- Gunner						
Airplane Electrical Specialist		1	4		1	4
Airplane Hydraulic Specialist						
Airplane Instrument Specialist		1	4		2	8
Airplane Propeller Specialist		1	4		1	4
Airplane Power Plant Specialist						
Airplane Cable Mechanic						
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker		1	4		1	4
Airplane Woodworker						
Army Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker		1	4		2	8
Fuel Tank Repairman						
Glider Mechanic		10	40		18	72
Machinist						
Parachute Rigger & Repairman		3	12		6	24
Storage Battery Electrician						
Welder		1	4		1	4
Cook-Baker		4	16	1	7	29
Army Aerial Photographer						
Motion Picture Projectionist						
Photo Interpreter						
Photographic Laboratory Technician						
Automotive Equipment Mechanic	1	1	5	1	2	9
Automotive Equipment Operator	1	6	25	2	15	62
Heavy Automotive Equip. Opr						
Crash Boat Operator						
Air Forces Painter						
Carpenter		1	4		1	4
General Electrician		1	4		1	4
Weather Forecaster						
Weather Observer						
Weather Observer -Teletypewriter Tech.						
Radio Sonde Operator						
Other Specialists						
All Other Enlisted Men Group		7	28		12	48
Total Enlisted Men	19	73	311	33	143	605

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	Personnel Required For Unit 25% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for unit 50% Manned		
	Gp Hq	1 Sq	Gp Hq - 4 Sq	Gp Hq	1 Sq	Gp Hq - 4 Sq
OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES						
Officers						
Corps of Chaplains				1		1
Medical Dept	1	1	5	2	2	10
Ordnance Dept						
Total Officers	1	1	5	3	2	11
Enlisted Men						
Chemical Warfare Service		1	4		1	4
Medical Dept	2	2	10	3	4	19
Ordnance Dept						
Total Enlisted Men	2	3	14	3	5	23
AGGREGATE STRENGTH						
Officers	6	13	58	14	26	118
Enlisted Men	21	76	325	36	148	628

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Third Air Force as indicated:

Unit	Station and Date of Activation	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq. 407th Bombardment Gp (Dive) 632nd Bombardment Sq (Dive) 633rd Bombardment Sq (Dive) 634th Bombardment Sq (Dive) 636th Bombardment Sq (Dive)	Drew Field, Fla. March 28, 1943	C-1-1598
Hq. 408th Bombardment Gp (Dive) 636th Bombardment Sq (Dive) 637th Bombardment Sq (Dive) 638th Bombardment Sq (Dive) 639th Bombardment Sq (Dive)	Key Field, Miss. April 5, 1943	C-1-1599
Hq. 417th Bombardment Gp (L) 672nd Bombardment Sq (L) 673rd Bombardment Sq (L) 674th Bombardment Sq (L) 675th Bombardment Sq (L)	Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma March 28, 1943	C-1-1600

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1. The following tables of organization will be used as guides in the organization of these units; specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication:

Hq. Bombardment Groups (Dive) and (L) — 1-112, July 1, 1942
Bombardment Squadrons (Dive) — 1-147, July 1, 1942
Bombardment Squadrons (L) — 1-137, July 1, 1942.

2. The Third Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

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4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Changes.

5. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Unit	Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
407th Bombardment Group (Dive)	April 28, 1943 (See Incl)	May 28, 1943 (See Incl)	June 21, 1943
417th Bombardment Group (L)	April 28, 1943 (See Incl)	May 28, 1943 (See Incl)	June 21, 1943
408th Bombardment Group (Dive)	May 5, 1943 (See Incl)	June 5, 1943 (See Incl)	June 28, 1943

6. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadres.
c. Size of cadres.
d. Date of activation.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd.)
JOHN H. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Director of Air Support, February 20, 1943. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE - DIVE BOMBARDMENT

Bomb Group - (Dive)

	Personnel Required for Unit 25% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit 50% Manned		
	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq + 4 Sq	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq + 4 Sq
AAF PERSONNEL						
Officers						
4 Engine Pilot						
2 Engine Pilot						
Service Pilot						
1 Engine Pilot	7	1	11	7	6	31(a)
Glider Pilot						
Bombardier						
Navigator						
Bombardier - Navigator						
Observer						
Engineering	0	0	1(b)	0	2	8
Armament	0	0	0	0	1	4
Bombsight Maintenance						
Weather	1	0	1	1	1	5
Communications	1	1	5	1	1	5
Radio (V-I)						
Controller						
Photographic						
Intelligence	2	0	2	2	1	6
Photographic Interpreter	1	0	1	1	1	5
Statistical	2	0	2	2	0	2
All other Officers	4	4	20	4	4	20
Total Officers	18	6	43(c)	18	17	88
Enlisted Men						
Administrative and Technical Clerk	9	10	49	23	38	175
Cryptographer						
Draftsman	1	0	1	1	0	1
Airplane Armorer	0	2	8	1	3	15
Airplane Armorer - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aerial Torpedo Mechanic						
Bombsight Mechanic						
Power Turrent and Gunsight Specialist						
Air Forces Radio Mechanic	0	3	12	0	4	16
Air Forces Radio Operator	0	1	4	0	3	12
Air Forces Operator and Mechanic	0	0	0	0	1	4
Air Forces Radio Operator-Mechanic Gunner						
Radio Operator (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (CMS)						
Army Control Tower Operator	0	0	0	0	1	4
Radio Mechanic (F)	0	0	0	0	1	4

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	for Unit 25% Manned			Required for Unit 50% Manned		
	Sq	1 Sq	Gp Total Sq - 4 Sq	Sq	1 Sq	Gp Total Sq - 4 Sq
Radio Mechanic (I or V)						
Radio Mechanic (M)						
Radio Observer (I or V)						
Radio Observer (M)						
Link Trainer Instructor						
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman	0	1	4	0	1	4
Telephone & Telegraph Repair man						
Teletypewriter Mechanic	0	2	8	0	5	20
Teletype Operator						
Aerial Gunner						
Enlisted Airplane Pilot						
Enlisted Bombardier						
Enlisted Glider Pilot						
Enlisted Liasion Pilot - Mechanic						
Enlisted Service Pilot						
Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic	1	8	33	1	11	45
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (IM)						
Army Airplane Engine Mechanic (DO)						
Army Airplane Mechanic - Gunner						
Airplane Electrical Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Hydraulic Specialist						
Airplane Instrument Specialist	0	1	4	0	2	8
Airplane Propeller Specialist	0	0	0	0	0	0
Airplane Power Plant Specialist						
Airplane Cable Mechanic						
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	0	2	8	0	4	16
Airplane Woodworker						
Army Airplane Rope & Fabric Worker						
Fuel Tank Repairman						
Glider Mechanic						
Machinist						
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	0	0	0	0	0	0
Storage Battery Electrician						
Welder	0	0	0	0	1	4
Cook-Baker	2	3	14	3	10	43
Army Aerial Photographer						
Motion Picture Projectionist						
Photo Interpreter	0	0	0	1	0	1
Photographic Laboratory Technician						
Automotive Equipment Mechanic	0	2	8	0	2	8
Automotive Equipment Operator	0	11	44	0	11	44
Heavy Automotive Equipment Operator	0	4	8	0	4	8
Crash Boat Operator						
Air Forces Painter						
Carpenter	0	1	4			
General Electrician						
Weather Forecaster						
Weather Observer						
Weather Observer -Teletypewriter Technician						
Radio Sonde Operator						

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	Personnel Required for Unit 25% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit 50% Manned		
	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq - 4 Sq	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq - 4 Sq
Other Specialists						
All other Enlisted Men Group	2	4	18	2	10	42
Total Enlisted men	15	59	251	32	117	502
OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES						
OFFICERS						
Corps of Chaplains	1	0	1	1	0	1
Medical Dept	2	0	2	2	1	6
Ordnance Dept	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Officers	3	0	3	3	1	7
ENLISTED MEN						
Chemical Warfare Service	0	1	4	0	1	4
Medical Dept	3	0	3	3	4	19
Ordnance Dept	0	9	36	0	13	52
Total Enlisted Men	3	9	43	3	18	75
AGGREGATE STRENGTH						
Officers	21	6	46	21	18	95
Enlisted Men	18	58	294	35	135	577

(a) 2 Sqds @ 7

(b) 1 Engineering Officer in Gp authorized at 25% Manned.

(c) 1 Sqd @ 7

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE - Light Bombardment

Bomb Group (light)

	Personnel Required for unit 25% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit 50% Manned		
	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq + 4 Sq	Hq	1 Sq	Gp Total Hq - 4 Sq.
AAF PERSONNEL						
Officers						
4 Engine Pilot						
2 Engine Pilot	7	1	11	7	3	19
Service Pilot						
Glider Pilot						
Bombardier						
Navigator						
Bombardier - Navigator						
Observer						
Engineering	0	0	0	0	2	8
Armament	0	0	0	0	1	4
Weather	1	0	1	1	1	5
Communications	1	1	5	1	1	5
Radio (W-I)						
Controller						
Photographic						
Intelligence	2	0	2	2	1	6
Photographic Interpreter	1	0	1	1	1	5
Statistical	2	0	2	2	0	2
All other Officers	3	3	15	4	4	20
Total Officers	17	5	37	18	14	74
Enlisted Men						
Administrative and Technical Clerk	9	10	49	17	38	169
Cryptographer						
Draftsman	1	0	1	1	0	1
Airplane Armorer	0	2	8	1	3	13
Airplane Armorer - Gunner	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aerial Torpedo Mechanic						
Bombsight Mechanic						
Power Turret and Gunsight Specialist						
Air Forces Radio Mechanic	0	3	12	0	4	16
Air Forces Radio Operator	0	1	4	0	3	12
Air Forces Radio Operator and Mechanic	0	1	4	0	1	4
Air Forces Radio Operator - Mechanic Gunner						
Radio Operator (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (AACS)						
Radio Mechanic (CNS)						
Army Control Tower Operator	0	0	0	0	0	0
Radio Mechanic (F)						
Radio Mechanic (I or V)						
Radio Mechanic (M)						

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF: (Continued)

Subject: Activation of Navigation Training Squadron for the Seventh Air Force.

will not seriously hamper domestic production of navigators:

(1) The Seventh Air Force has available for navigational training, nine (9) B-18A airplanes. Inasmuch as the prime delaying factor in domestic navigator production is a shortage of suitable aircraft, these nine aircraft could be considered as the organic airplane equipment of the subject unit.

(2) A good portion of the navigational equipment required for the unit is in Hawaii.

3. It is, therefore, recommended that no change be made in the presently approved plan of activation and shipment of a navigation training squadron to the Seventh Air Force in August, 1943.

4. In the event that such action does not meet with your approval, it is further recommended that the Commanding General, Seventh Air Force be informed that he will no longer be required to furnish navigators for the South and Southwest Pacific areas, and that the Technical Training Command will assume all responsibility for navigational training required for the Pacific area.

AUBREY L. MOORE,
Colonel, G. S. C.

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Activation of Navigation Training Squadron for the Seventh Air Force.

TO: Director fo Individual Training. Feb 27

FROM: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Program Planning 1

TO: Asst. Chief Air Staff, Program Planning. 3-4-43
(THRU: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, A-3)
FROM: Director of Individual Training. 2

FER:bb 71844

1. In reference to paragraph 3, comment 1, the following information is submitted.

a. Station of activation Army Air Forces Navigation School, Hondo, Texas.
b. Activating agency - Flying Training Command.

2. It is requested that the decision to send navigation school squadrons to the Seventh Air Force be reconsidered and disapproved. Air Force requirements for navigators for 1943 are being revised at the present time. These figures will be available in a few days. Major Barton of Program Planning indicates that they will be substantially as shown below:

	Monthly Requirements	Cummulative Requirements
Jan	700	700
Feb	700	1400
March	700	2100
April	700	2800
May	700	3500
June	700	4200

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	Monthly Requirements	Cummulative Requirements
July	1000	5200
Aug	1000	6200
Sept	1000	7200
Oct	2000	9200
Nov	2000	11200
Dec	2000	13200
	13,200	

The production of navigators by the Flying Training Command for the year 1943 keeps pace with the requirements of the Air Forces (revised) and is shown below:

	Monthly Requirements	Cummulative Requirements
Jan	812	812
Feb	680	1492
March	744	2236
April	688	2924
May	776	3700
June	1352	5052
July	1344	6396
Aug	1736	8132
Sept	1248	9380
Oct	1832	11212
Nov	1248	12460
Dec	1832	14292
	14,292	

These two studies clearly indicate that the production of navigators by the Flying Training Command keeps pace with the requirements for the navigators by the Air Forces. Previous estimated requirements of navigators by the Air Forces did not indicate such a situation; however, such figures are being revised because of variation in expected airplane production. It is the opinion of this Directorate that the proper place for training aircrew members is within the continental limits of the United States.

3. The production of navigators is dependent upon equipment and personnel necessary for such training. To allocate a portion of such equipment and/or personnel to overseas stations will result in a corresponding reduction in equipment and personnel available for navigator training within the Flying Training Command and will consequently result in a reduction in the number of navigators so trained by the Flying Training Command. Inasmuch as the total number of navigators to be trained will not vary whether equipment and personnel are sent abroad or retained in this country a division of such training would appear unwarranted.

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4. It is further pointed out that, if such a squadron is shipped to the Seventh Air Force in August, it will be at least October before navigator training could begin in this squadron. Production of trained navigators by this squadron would probably date from January 1944. By this time, the stabilized production of the Flying Training Command will be at an average of 1,540 per month, which will be sufficient for Air Force needs as currently computed.

L. S. SMITH
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Director of Individual Training

TO: Asst. Chief of the Air Staff, DPU

DATE 3-8-43

FROM: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, A-3

COMMENT NO. 3
LBK/HB 5243

1. A-3 concurs in the remarks and recommendations contrained in Comment No. 2.

2. The overall plan for the reorganization of the Seventh Air Force included the assignment of one navigation training squadron to that activity. Undated memorandum for the Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations, WDGS, subject: "Reorganization of the Seventh Air Force", indicated approval of the shipment of this squadron and was approved by OPD in a memorandum dated February 9, 1943.

3. It is obvious that the shipment of the squadron under discussion escaped the notice of everyone concerned and is in conflict with established policy to the effect that training in theatres will be conducted using facilities and personnel available from normal sources, and training equipment, etc. will not be shipped for this purpose. It is obviously wrong to use shipping space to ship equipment, personnel, and all items concerned to a foreign theatre to duplicate training facilities that are established in the United States.

4. It is recommended that the shipment of this navigation training squadron be disapproved. The necessary action will be initiated with OPD, and in this connection Colonel Silverthorne, Chief of the Pacific Theatre, has concurred informally.

ROBERT W. HARPER
Brigadier General, U. S. A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the I Troop Carrier Command, effective April 1, 1943 at Baer Field, Fort Wayne, Indiana:

Unit	S/O
Hq. 436th Troop Carrier Group	1-312, February 15, 1943
79th Troop Carrier Squadron	1-317, February 3, 1943
80th Troop Carrier Squadron	1-317, February 3, 1943
81st Troop Carrier Squadron	1-317, February 3, 1943
82nd Troop Carrier Squadron	1-317, February 3, 1943

1. The tables of organization listed above will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The station commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

3. The I Troop Carrier Command will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMAG, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

5. These units will have a C-1-1597 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of the 55th Depot Supply Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 55th Depot Supply Squadron be redesignated as the 55th Depot Supply Squadron (Special) and reorganized by the Commanding General, Air Service Command in accordance with the Personnel Allotment Table, copy attached at once.

1. This unit will be equipped in accordance with special list of equipment to be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Director of Base Services).

a. Equipment in the special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner and shipped to the unit at station of reorganization.

2. Personnel to accomplish this action will be furnished by the Air Service Command from sources available to that command. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Report).

3. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Air Service Command to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section) 20 copies and The Adjutant General confirming the redesignation and giving the date of reorganization of this unit.

4. The Station Commander charged with these actions will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of reorganization.

5. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, and #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command (Air Mail)
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)

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Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Personnel Allotment Table

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is necessary to prepare this unit for its primary mission which is to provide a provisional Air Force Section for the Eighth Air Force Service Command. See R&R from Base Services to Chief of Air Staff, subject: "Personnel allotment Table", dated March 17, 1943 and Radio #5008, February 22, 1943 from Eighth Air Force Service Command. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Equipment paragraph is in accordance with conversation with Major Cannon and Colonel Coate of Base Services. This memorandum stamped "Secret" because of Memorandum for record. Published order should be "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization and Redesignation of Certain Ordnance Medium Maintenance Companies (Avn).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated below and reorganized by the Commanders concerned at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization #9-287, dated February 12, 1943:

Present Designation	New Designation
2012th Ord MM Co (Avn)	2012th Ordnance Maintenance Co, Air Force
2013th Ord MM Co (Avn)	2013th Ordnance Maintenance Co, Air Force
2014th Ord MM Co (Avn)	2014th Ordnance Maintenance Co, Air Force

1. This action does not authorize a change of station or assignment.

2. A report will be submitted without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General) and The Adjutant General confirming redesignations and giving dates of reorganization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Commanding Chief Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCE:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in ZAS dated March 10, 1943, from Base Services to Program Planning, subject: "Reorganization and Redesignation of Ordnance Medium Maintenance Cos., Aviation" and is necessary to organize these units in accordance with the recently approved Table of Organization. A previous letter has been forwarded to the Adjutant General for publication authorizing redesignation and reorganization of the units in the U.S. AFDOM (Col. Love) concurs in the use of "Air Force" in the new designation.

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as parent units respectively. (This action is being taken by the Director of Air Defense through OPD). Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This paper is classified secret due to reference to European Theater of Operations. However, letter should be classified "Restricted". published

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March 20, 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL HARPER:

Subject: Activation of Navigation Training Squadron for the Seventh Air Force.

1. General Stratemeyer has disapproved action recommended by Colonel Moore.

2. This paper is forwarded to you for action indicated in Paragraph 4 of Colonel Moore's memorandum.

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WILLIAM E. HALL,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF:

Subject: Activation of Navigation Training Squadron for the Seventh Air Force.

1. Reference attached correspondence, the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, A-3, and the Director of Individual Training have recommended that the previous approval by the Air Staff and Operations Division, War Department General Staff, of the activation of a Navigation Training Squadron (T/O 1-847, strength: 5 officers, 200 enlisted men) for the Seventh Air Force be reconsidered and disapproved for the following reasons:

a. The production of navigators by the Flying Training Command keeps pace with the requirements for navigators by the Air Forces.

b. It is inadvisable to ship equipment and personnel to a foreign theatre to duplicate training facilities already established in the United States.

c. Allocation of equipment and personnel to the subject squadron would result in a reduction in the number of navigators trained by the Flying Training Command.

2. In connection with the above, the following additional features are presented:

a. During the discussion of the overall plan of reorganization of the Seventh Air Force, the problem at hand was studied by all interested agencies of the Air Staff, and Operations Division, War Department General Staff; the activation was approved after thorough consideration in conferences with representatives of the Seventh Air Force.

b. One mission that has been assumed by the Seventh Air Force is the training of navigators for the South and Southwest Pacific Theatres; in addition, courses are presented to refresh and augment the training of recently graduated navigators in order that they may become thoroughly acquainted with the difficult navigational problems peculiar to the Pacific area.

c. It is felt that the activation and shipment of the subject unit

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Memo to TAB, Subj: Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Fire Fighting Platoons (Avn). (Cont'd Page Three)

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: These units were requested in Eisenhower's cable CM-IN-8630 and activation was directed by OPD in memorandum dated March 23, 1943, file OPD 320.2 Africa (3-23-43). These units are to be prepared for overseas shipment by the earliest possible date and will be shipped late in April provided sufficient equipment is available by that time. Colonel Chamberlain (G-3), Colonel Moore (AAF), Colonel Gentler (G-4), and Major Harris (WAR) concur. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This memorandum is classified secret because of the memorandum for record. The published directive should be "Restricted".

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TABLE OF EQUIPMENT

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Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Army)

1. Headquarters Section, one per platoon

   A. One Standard Class 1250 (Pump-Foam Type) crash fire truck per Specification MS-NFP No. 4

      1. Complete with equipment as follows:

         a. 60 G.P.M. high pressure (600-800 p.s.i.) fire pump
         b. 300 gallon water tank
         c. 300 feet 2/4 inch high pressure hose (3 - 100 ft. lines)
         d. 2 - special high pressure adjustable spray nozzles
         e. 2 - special hip-pack, high pressure foam applicator nozzles
         f. 2 - 10 lb. capacity CO_2 fire extinguishers
         g. 1 - 2½ gal. foam extinguisher
            (1) 6 - 2½ gallon foam rechargee
         h. 1 - 1 gallon carbon tetrachloride fire extinguisher
            (1) 1 - 5 gallon container carbon tetrachloride fire extinguisher liquid
         i. 2 - adjustable combination hydrant spanner wrenches
         j. 1 - ladder, combination 16' extension and folding
         k. 1 - pickhead fire axe
         l. 1 - 36 inch crowbar
         m. 1 - Claw Tool
         n. 1 - 9 ft. pike pole
         o. 1 - combination spot and floodlight (wet cell type)
         p. 1 - combination spot and floodlight (dry cell type)
         q. 1 - ground rod cable assembly
         r. 1 - 100 feet 3/4 inch rope
         s. 1 - special crash firefighting emergency roll
            (1) 1 - chopping axe
            (2) 1 - wrecking bar
            (3) 1 - hacksaw frame, 12 inch
            (4) (a) 12" hacksaw blades
            (5) 1 - bolt clipper, 5/16 inch capacity
            (6) 1 - pipe cutter, 1/8 inch to 2 inch capacity
            (7) 2 - 1 quart carbon tetrachloride fire extinguishers
            (8) 2 - hand flashlights
            (9) 1 - bunting knife, 8 inch blade
            (10) 1 - side-cutting pliers
            (11) 1 - cross cut saw, 24 inch
            (12) 1 - tinners shears, 8 inch cut
            (13) 1 - blacksmith sledge, cross pein, 6 pound
            (14) 1 - toolroll
         t. 1 - 2½ inch double female connection

      2. 1 First Aid Kit, fire department type, 24 unit

      3. 100 2½ gallon containers foam liquid

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4. 18 - 80 pound CO_2 recharging supply cylinders

5. 1 - CO_2 recharging assembly kit

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B. One 3/4-ton weapons carrier with equipment as follows: -

1. 2 - 1 gallon carbon tetrachloride fire extinguishers
   A. 2 - 5 gallon containers carbon tetrachloride fire extinguisher liquid

2. 2 - 4 gallon foam fire extinguishers, pump tank type
   A. 12 - 4 gallon foam liquid charges

3. 2 - 4 gallon pump tank fire extinguishers

4. 2 - 5 gallon back pack pump tank fire extinguishers
   A. 28 - 4 gallon non-freeze charges

5. 2 - 15 pound CO_2 fire extinguishers

6. 1 - First Aid Kit, fire department type, 24 unit

7. 4 - hand flashlight, 3 cell type
   A. 12 spare batteries, dry cell

8. 6 - folding canvas buckets

9. 1 - 100 foot 3/4 inch rope

10. 1 - 50 foot 3/4 inch rope

11. 4 - ~pe handle, round point, general purpose shovels

12. 2 - long handle, square point, general purpose shovels

13. 3 - pickhead fire axes

14. 3 - chopping axes

15. 2 - Claw Tool door openers

16. 2 - Mattock picks

17. 50 - sandbags

18. 3 - steel rakes

19. 1 - Bolt Cutter, 1/2 inch capacity

20. 1 - Ladder, combination, 16' extension and folding

C. One 1/4-ton jeep, with equipment as follows:

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1. 1 - 1 Gallon carbon tetrachloride fire extinguisher
   a. 1 @ 5 gallon container carbon tetrachloride fire extinguisher liquid
2. 1 - 4 gallon pump tank fire extinguisher
3. 4 - folding canvas buckets
4. 2 - hand flashlights, 3 cell type
   a. 6 spare batteries, dry cell
5. 1 - 50 foot 3/4 inch rope
6. 1 - First Aid Kit, fire department type, 24 unit
7. 2 - [illegible] handle, round point, general purpose shovels
8. 2 - pickhead fire axe
9. 1 - Claw tool door opener

II. Outlying Sections, firefighting, one per platoon

A. One 3/4 ton weapons carrier with equipment as follows:

1. 2 - 1 gallon carbon tetrachloride fire extinguishers
   a. 2 - 5 gallon container carbon tetrachloride fire extinguisher liquid
2. 2 - 4 gallon foam fire extinguishers, pump tank type
   a. 12 - 4 gallon foam liquid charges
3. 2 - 4 gallon pump tank fire extinguishers
4. 2 - 5 gallon back pack pump tank fire extinguishers
   a. 25 - 4 gallon non-freeze charges
5. 1 - First Aid Kit, fire department type, 24 unit
6. 4 - Hand Flashlights
   a. 12 spare batteries, dry cell
7. 6 - folding canvas buckets
8. 1 - 100 foot 3/4 inch rope
9. 1 - 50 foot 3/4 inch rope
10. 4 - [illegible] handle, round point, general purpose shovels
11. 2 - long handle, square point, general purpose shovels

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12. 3 - pickhead fire axe

13. 3 - chopping axes

14. 2 - claw tool door opener

15. 2 - mattock picks

16. 50 - sandbags

17. 3 - steel rakes

B. One trailer fire pump with equipment as follows:

1. 1 - 500 g.p.m. centrifugal fire pump

2. 2 - 10 foot lengths of 6-inch hard suction hose

3. 1 - 4½ inch by 2½ inch reducing hydrant adapter
   a. 1 - 4½" double female connection

4. 1 - 4½ inch suction strainer with 20 foot rope

5. 2 - 1½inch combination fog nozzles, removable tips
   a. 2 - bayonet type 6 foot extension fog applicators

6. 2 - 2½ inch shut-off nozzles
   a. 2 - 1 inch nozzle tips

7. 1 - spanner wrench for suction hose

8. 4 - spanner wrench, universal, for 1½ or 2½ inch hose

9. 1 - adjustable combination hydrant spanner wrench

10. 1 - 2½ inch by 1½inch by 1½ inch wye connection

11. 1 - 1½ inch slip pack foam applicator nozzle
    a. 12 - 5 gallon containers foam liquid

12. 1 - pickhead fire axe

13. 1 - claw tool door opener

14. 2 - electric hand lanterns (dry cell type)
    a. 2 spare dry cell batteries

15. 750 feet 2½ inch cotton, rubber-lined fire hose

16. 500 feet 1½ inch cotton, rubber-lined fire hose

17. 1 tarpaulin (for emergency suction reservoir) 16 x 18 feet

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III. Outlying Sections, crash firefighting, two per platoon

A. One 3/4 ton weapons carrier with equipment as follows:

1. 2 - 1 gallon carbon tetrachloride fire extinguishers
   a. 2 - 5 gallon containers carbon tetrachloride fire extinguisher liquid

2. 2 - 4 gallon foam fire extinguishers, pump tank type
   a. 12 - 4 gallon foam liquid charges

3. 2 - 4 gallon pump tank fire extinguishers

4. 2 - 5 gallon back pack pump tank fire extinguishers
   a. 38 - 4 gallon non-freeze charges

5. 2 - 15 pound CO2 fire extinguishers

6. 1 - First Aid Kit, fire department type, 24 unit

7. 4 - hand flashlights, 3 cell type
   a. 12 spare batteries, dry cell

8. 6 - folding canvas buckets

9. 1 - 100 foot 3/4 inch rope

10. 1 - 50 foot 3/4 inch rope

11. 4 - "D" handle, round point, general purpose shovels

12. 2 - long handle, square point, general purpose shovels

13. 3 - pickhead fire axes

14. 2 - chopping axes

15. 2 - Claw Tool door openers

16. 2 - Mattock picks

17. 50 Sandbags

18. 3 - steel rakes

19. 1 - Bolt Cutter, 1/2 inch capacity

20. 1 - Ladder, Combination, 16' extension and folding

B. One trailer, crash, firefighter, with equipment as follows:

1. 55 g.p.m. high pressure (600-800 p.s.i.) fire pump

2. 150 gallon water tank

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3. 300 feet 3/4 inch high pressure hose (2-150 foot lines)

4. 2 - special high pressure adjustable spray nozzles

5. 2 - special hip pack, high pressure foam applicator nozzles

6. 2 - 8 foot 2½ inch hard suction hose

7. 1 - 2½ inch suction strainer

8. 1 - 2½ inch double female connection

9. 1 - pickhead fire axe

10. 1 - claw tool door opener

11. 1 - combination spot and floodlight (wet battery type)

12. 1 - grapnel and cable assembly

13. 1 - special crash firefighting emergency roll
    (1) 1 - chopping axe
    (2) 1 - wrecking bar
    (3) 1 - hacksaw frame, 12 inch
        (a) 12 - hacksaw blades
    (4) 1 - bolt clipper, 5/16 inch capacity
    (5) 1 - pipe cutter, 1/8 inch to 2 inch capacity
    (6) 2 - 1 quart carbon tetrachloride fire extinguishers
    (7) 2 - hand flashlights
    (8) 1 - hunting knife, 6 inch blade
    (9) 1 - side cutting pliers
    (10) 1 - cross cut saw, 24 inch
    (11) 1 - tinners shears, 3 inch cut
    (12) 1 - blacksmith sledge, cross pein, 6 pound
    (13) 1 - toolroll

14. 50 - 2 gallon containers foam liquid solution

IV. Firefighting Clothing

A. One set per firefighter, as follows:

1. 1 - Rubber coat

2. 1 - Pair hip rubber boots

3. 1 - Pair firemen's bunking trousers

4. 1 - Firemen's safety helmet

5. 1 - Pair heavy gloves

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PERSONNEL ALLOTMENT TABLE
for
Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Aviation)

1	2	3	4	5
Unit	Tech Grade:	Hdq Section:	3 F F Sections (ea):	Total
First Lieutenant		1		1
Total Commissioned		1		1
Staff Sergeant, including		1		1
Fire Chief (383)		(1)		(1)
Sergeant, including		1	1	4
Section Chief (383)		(1)	(1)	(4)
Corporal, including		1		1
Administrative (502)		(1)		(1)
Technician, grade 4)				(1
Technician, grade 5)				(4
Private first class) including		8	5	(9
Private)				(9
Firefighter (383)		(3)	(3)	12
Mechanic, automobile (014)	4	(1)		(1)
Pump Operator (383)	5	(1)	(1)	(4)
Truck Driver, light (345)		(3)	(1)	(6)
Total Enlisted		11	6	29
Aggregate		12	6	30
Equipment for Ground Force Establishments				
O Truck, 1/4 ton (Jeep)		1		1
O Truck, 3/4 ton, weapons carrier		1	1	4
E Truck, fire, standard class 325		1		1
E Trailer, fire, 500 g.p.m.			1	3
Equipment for Air Force Establishments				
O Truck, 1/4 ton (Jeep)		1		1
O Truck, 3/4 ton, weapons carrier		1	1	4
E Truck, crash, standard class 125		1		1
E Trailer, crash, (1 trailer fire 500 g.p.m. pumper to be substituted for 1 Trailer, crash in one section)			1	3

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i. Water Barrel (To be improvised or obtained locally only).

5. Fire Hose.

a. 2½ inch fire hose, National Standard threaded couplings.

b. 1½ inch fire hose, National Standard threaded couplings.

c. 1 inch booster hose (replacement only).

d. 3/4 inch high pressure hose (replacement only).

6. Fire Fighting Clothing (1 per permanent fire fighter).

a. Rubber Coats.

b. Bunking trousers .

c. Rubber boots.

d. Fireman's safety helmet.

e. Heavy gloves.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 1st Photographic Procurement Detachment.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 1st Photographic Procurement Detachment be constituted, activated on April 1, 1943 at Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Connecticut, by the Commanding Officer thereof.

1. The attached Personnel Allotment Table will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

2. Personnel for this unit will be taken from personnel now being ordered to Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Connecticut for this purpose.

3. A special list of equipment will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (A-2 Division and Director of Photography), two copies only, to the Director of Base Services.

4. This unit will have an A-2 (a) priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG-Publications Section-20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay, giving the following information:

a. Unit activated
b. Confirmation of date of activation

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department #206, dated June 26, 1942.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding Officer, Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Connecticut
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, A2, by R&R, March 10, 1943; subject, "Constitution and Activation of the 1st Photo Procurement Detachment" and is necessary since this unit will be shipped to England during April, 1943 or as soon after as possible, and will perform the following functions:

a. To receive coordinated requests clearly representing U. S. needs, and changes in priorities thereof.

b. To watch daily cover records, to search existing cover records, to examine photography, search for specific cover by name and location for illustrating intelligence publications and to order the reproduction of such photography as is selected.

c. To reproduce all photography as directed under b above.

d. To arrange for the dispatch and transmittal of the material mentioned in c above to Washington, D. C., U. S. A.

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AG Letter authorizing activation of this unit in England is being rescinded by separate letter. It is desired to activate the unit in the continental United States and ship as a unit, instead of shipping fillers to the unit in England. Station of activation confirmed by telephone conversation between Captain Stevens (A-2) and Colonel Massey (Bradley Field), March 15, 1943. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This paper classified as "Secret" due to reference of movement overseas. However, published letter should be classified "Restricted".

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PERSONNEL ALLOTMENT TABLE
for
First Photo Procurement Detachment

	Administration	Selection	Reproduction	TOTAL
Major	1			1
Captain		3	1	4
First Lieutenant			2	2
TOTAL	1	3	3	7
Grade I				
Photo Chief (943)			1	1
			(1)	(1)
Grade II	1			
Photo Lab Chief (944)			2	3
			(2)	(2)
Chief Clerk (502)	(1)			(1)
Grade III				
Photo Lab Tech (945)			8	8
			(8)	(8)
Grade IV		2		
Adm Clerk (501)		(2)	10	12
				(2)
Photo Lab Tech (945)			(10)	(10)
Grade V	1			
Adm Clerk (501)	(1)		6	7
				(1)
Photo Lab Tech (945)			(6)	(6)
Grade VI				
Photo Lab Tech (945)			11	11
			(11)	(11)
Grade VII				
Photo Lab Tech (945)			12	12
			(12)	(12)
TOTAL	2	2	50	54
AGGREGATE	3	5	53	61

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Headquarters and Headquarters Squadrons, 8th and 8th Air Defense Wings.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted and activated on March 27, 1943, as indicated:

Unit	Station of Activation	Activated by CG
Hq & Hq Sq, 4th Air Defense Wing	Hamilton Field, California	Western Defense Command
Hq & Hq Sq, 5th Air Defense Wing	Mitchel Field, New York	Eastern Defense Command

1. Table of Organization #1-460-1, November 26, 1942, will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding Generals, Eastern and Western Defense Commands, will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #127 and #128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. These units should reach full Table of Organization strength not later than April 15, 1943.

4. Special lists of equipment will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Director of Air Defense, 2 copies only) and submitted to the Director of Base Services.

5. These units will have an A-2(a) priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

6. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFHAS - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Units activated.
b. Date of activation.
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d. Source of cadre.

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7. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 18, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCE:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Air Defense by RAR dated March 20, 1943, Subject: "Constitution and Activation of the 4th and 5th Hq & Hq Sqs, Air Defense Wing", and is necessary in order to provide these units which are required by the Commanding General, European Theater of Operations. By separate communication, the Commanding Generals, Eastern and Western Defense Commands, will be directed to form these units using the Norfolk and San Francisco Air Defense Wings

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Increase in Hq and Hq Sq, Sixth Air Force

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1. That the Hq & Hq Squadron, Sixth Air Force be authorized one 1st Lieutenant as Intelligence Officer in accordance with personnel Allotment Table 1-165, dated May 14, 1943, attached herewith as Inclosure 4.

2. This action does not authorize an increase in overall strength allotted to the Caribbean Defense Command.

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3. The Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command will report without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General, the date of reorganization.

4. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of ordnance, Tank automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General

Memorandum for Record; This action is in accordance with Disposition Form from OPD of March 29, 1943, recommendations of ACAS, Intelligence, and radio from Headquarters, Army Air Forces to Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command of April 2, 1943 and reply thereto dated April 5, 1943.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

320.2 (13-27)

Subject: Increase in Hq and Hq Sq, Sixth Air Force

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Intelligence Section of the Hq & Hq Sq, Sixth Air Force be increased in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table. Enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

1. The Sixth Air Force will furnish cadre, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #127 (Personnel Status Report).

2. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date the increase is accomplished and the units furnishing the personnel.

3. AAF Regulation 15-34 and Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command (to be included in the address)
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps.
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
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Inclosure:
Personnel Allotment Table

Concurrence:
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, A-2, approved by AFPMP, A-3, A-1 and War Organization and Movement. This action is necessary to provide specially trained officers with engineering background in order to keep thoroughly familiar with technical characteristics and performances of all enemy aircraft and allied equipment in the Theater to which they are assigned. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL ALLOTMENT TABLE
for
Augmentation to Intelligence Section
of Hq & Hq Sq, Sixth Air Force.

Major	-
Captain	1
1st Lieutenant	1
TOTAL	2
Tech Sgt (501)	1
Sergeant (501)	1
TOTAL	2
AGGREGATE	4

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MAR 24 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Fire Fighting Platoons (Avn).

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Bradley Field, Connecticut on April 1, 1943. These units will be attached to the 925th Provisional Engineer Airborne Regiment, Aviation, for training and administrative supervision.

1980th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1981st Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1982nd Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1983rd Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1984th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1985th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1986th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1987th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1988th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1989th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1990th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1991st Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1992nd Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1993rd Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1994th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1995th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1996th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1997th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1998th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)
1999th Engineer Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)

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1. These units will be organized in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, First Air Force will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms #127 and #128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. Equipment for these units will be in accordance with the attached Special Table of Equipment. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be A-2.

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4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AFMAG - Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Units activated.
b. Date of activation.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Source of cadre.

5. The station commander charged with the activation of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commander-in-Chief, United States Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
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Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with directive from OPD, as indicated in letter OPD 320.2 PTO(3-14-43) subject: "Assignment of Units to the 15th and 347th Fighter Groups" dated March 17, 1943.

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1. Recommend approval of basic request.

2. It is believed that the desired band could be shipped to the theater with very little displacement of combat equipment and personnel. Only twenty-four enlisted men and one warrant officer are required.

O. A. ANDERSON,
Brig. General, USA

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General Davidson's Project.

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, A-3.
(LATER Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training.)

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

26 March 1943.

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1. Yesterday I wrote you about Major Darling and Major Wenninghan who have been in the Davidson project. The attached draft of a memorandum was given me by General Davidson as his idea of the way these units and individuals should be assigned. Of course, the reassignment and designation is a responsibility of the Army Air Forces and not of the War Department, and the assignment of airplanes which he recommends cannot be accomplished at the moment.

2. This is just given to you for your information in connection with the previous request.

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Incl: Draft of memo (CONF) subj, "Reassignment and Designation of Minimum Altitude Test Units" referred to above.

T. J. HANLEY, JR.,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reassignment and Designation of Minimum Altitude Test Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units, constituted and authorized for activation at Eglin Field, Florida, by letter AG 320.2(1-28-43) OB-I-AF-M; subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units", dated January 29, 1943, be relieved from assignment to the Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command and reassigned to the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics:

1st Minimum Altitude Bomber-Torpedo Unit (Medium)

2nd Minimum Altitude Bomber-Fighter Unit (Twin Engine)

1. Provided that the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics so desires he may, by direct correspondence, arrange with the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command to leave these units at their present location (Eglin Field, Florida).

2. These units are constituted test units for the development and perfection of minimum altitude bombing and gunnery tactics and technique. They will also perfect coordination between fighters and bombers in minimum altitude bombing attacks, and will be made fully operative at the earliest practicable date.

3. Particular attention will be paid to communications equipment and bombing at night, or when the target is invisible to the bombing airplane.

4. These units will have a A-2 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

5. Nine P-38 airplanes will be assigned to the 2nd Minimum Altitude Bomber-Fighter Unit (Twin Engine) as soon as they can be made available.

6. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command will make available to these units the necessary base and test facilities required for the fulfillment of their missions.

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7. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces Materiel Center will cooperate with these units in the development and procurement of new devices and items of special equipment required for the fulfillment of their missions.

8. The Commanding General, Air Service Command, is authorized to furnish items of special equipment required by these units.

9. Direct correspondence is authorized in connection with paragraphs 6, 7, and 8.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Materiel Center
Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces, School of Applied Tactics
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. C. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from General Davidson, March 24, 1943, and is for the purpose of informing the Commands mentioned above of their responsibilities in helping these units fulfill their missions.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation, Reorganization and Disbandment of Certain Ordnance Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (3-31-43)OB-I-AFRPG-M, dated April 2, 1943, subject as above, be amended as follows:

Add the following to Paragraph 4:

"48. 1788th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Co Avn (Q)"

II. That the 1788th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company, Aviation (Q) be redesignated as the 1788th Ordnance Supply and Maintenance Co Avn and reorganized in accordance with letter AG 320.2 (3-31-43) OB-I-AFRPG-M, dated April 22, 1943, subject as above, upon arrival at destination.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Same as original letters.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R from ACAS, Materiel, Maintenance and Distribution, Organization and Training Branch, dated April 29, 1943, subject: "Suspension on Reorganization of the 1788th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company, Aviation (Q).

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL STRATEMEYER:

Subject: Memorandum for Chief of Staff on 1st and 4th Fighter Commands.

The memorandum for the Chief of Staff, for General Arnold's signature (which was prepared in this Division) recommending that the 1st and 4th Fighter Commands be returned to the Army Air Forces has not been signed by General Arnold. It was referred to Gen. Giles for comment on March 26th.

For the Chief, Operational Plans,

George Stinson
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Major, A.C.

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Subject: Memorandum for Chief of Staff on 1st and 4th Fighter Commands.

The memorandum for the Chief of Staff, for General Arnold's signature (which was prepared in this Division) recommending that the 1st and 4th Fighter Commands be returned to the Army Air Forces has not been signed by General Arnold. It was referred to Gen. Giles for comment on March 26th.

For the Chief, Operational Plans,

GEORGE STINSON
Major, A.C.

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Constitution and Activation of the 88th Transport Squadron.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 89th Transport Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 89th Transport Squadron be constituted and activated immediately by the Commanding General, Air Transport Command and assigned to the 22nd Transport Group.

1. Table of Organization 1-457, July 1, 1942 and Changes will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, Air Transport Command will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. This unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: AFMSO, Publications Section - 20 copies) and The Adjutant General without delay giving the following information:

a. Unit activated.
b. Units furnishing cadre.
c. Size of cadre.
d. Date of activation.

5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

6. Army Air Forces Regulation 15-34 and Technical Order 00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, India-China Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)

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Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Baltimore Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

A.G. of S., GPD ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program and a request from the Commanding General, Air Transport Command by RAR, March 24, 1943, subject "Activation of Units", and is necessary due to the expansion now taking place in the India-China Wing and the assignment of a large number of additional aircraft thereto. This request was verbally co-ordinated between Captain Keehn, AFDPU and Colonel Timberman, GPD, March 25, 1943. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of An Engineer Unit with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 925th Provisional Engineer Airborne Regiment (Avn.) be redesignated as the 1st Airborne Engineer Aviation Unit Training Center and reorganized as of April 1, 1943 by the Commanding General, First Air Force in accordance with Table of Organization 5-1010-1, March 19, 1943 with an authorized strength of 38 Officers, 2 Warrant Officers and 291 Enlisted Men.

1. This action does not involve a change of station or assignment and will not result in loss of grade to any individual concerned. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The reorganized unit is assigned the same priority rating of A-5-(d)-83 that was in effect under the former designation.

3. Additional personnel required will be supplied from units under the control of the First Air Force. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

4. The station commander charged with action under the authority of this letter will notify immediately the appropriate Service Command of the date of reorganization.

5. Upon reorganization of this unit the following battalions are relieved from present assignments and are attached to the 1st Airborne Engineer Aviation Unit Training Center for training coordination and supervision:

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871st Airborne Engineer Aviation Battalion
874th Airborne Engineer Aviation Battalion
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878th Airborne Engineer Aviation Battalion
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881st Airborne Engineer Aviation Battalion

6. Twenty copies of the redesignation order issued by you pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of An Engineer Unit with the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with [illegible] dated March 25, 1943 from Base Services to Program Planning, subject: "Constitution and Activation of an Engineer Aviation Unit with Army Air Forces". This is the first of the three training centers that will perform the function of specialized training for Airborne Engineer Units. Personnel in the authorized strength of this unit will flow gradually into Engineer Battalions (Avn.) as they are shipped overseas, and will have been absorbed entirely by the end of December, 1943. The action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Use of numerical designation coordinated with Major Schmidt, Corps of Engineers. The 872nd and 873rd Airborne Engineer Aviation Battalions are not being attached to the Unit Training Center because movement orders are being issued on these units. This memorandum marked "Secret" because of Memorandum For Record. Published directive will be "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Construction and Activation of Certain Signal Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Fourth Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Camp Pinedale, California, as of April 1, 1943:

UNIT	PRIORITY RATING
343rd Sig Co Wing	C-1-1636
344th Sig Co Wing	C-1-1637
345th Sig Co Wing	C-1-1638
346th Sig Co Wing	C-1-1639
347th Sig Co Wing	C-1-1640
395th Sig Co Avn(less RIP)	C-1-1641
396th Sig Co Avn	C-1-1642
397th Sig Co Avn	C-1-1643

1. The Signal Companies, Wing will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization #11-247, dated July 1, 1942, with an authorized strength of three (3) Officers and eighty-six (86) Enlisted Men. The Signal Companies, Aviation will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization #11-217, dated May 19, 1942, with an authorized strength of six (6) Officers and one-hundred seventy-five (175) Enlisted Men. The 395th Signal Company, Aviation (Less RIP) will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization #11-217, dated May 19, 1942, less Column 8 with an authorized strength of five (5) Officers and one-hundred forty-three (143) Enlisted Men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Fourth Air Force will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

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Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Units with the Army Air Forces.

3. These units will be brought to full Table of Organization strength in accordance with the following schedule:

Reach 25% of T/O strength by May 1, 1943
Reach 50% of T/O strength by June 1, 1943
Reach 100% of T/O strength by June 24, 1943
0 Day, July 1, 1943

4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11, dated August 1, 1942, and will be supplied in accordance with Army Air Forces Regulation #65-10, dated December 27, 1942.

5. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. The Station Commander charged with activation of these units will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Services of Supply
Chief Signal Officer
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
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Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Units with the Army Air Forces.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN A. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request on R&R dated March 24, 1943, from Communications to Program Planning, subject: "Activation of Signal Corps Units with the Army Air Forces". These units are necessary to provide signal service for various Army Air Forces units and are committed to the Fourteenth Air Force, with shipment scheduled for October, 1943. Communications (Major Bittner) advises housing is available at Pinedale. Activation is in accordance with the present expansion program and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This memorandum classified "Secret" because of Memorandum For Record. Published directive should be "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be reassigned as indicated:

UNIT	PRESENT ASSIGNMENT	NEW ASSIGNMENT
Hq, 18th Fighter Group	Seventh Air Force	Thirteenth Air Force
12th Fighter Squadron	Thirteenth Air Force	18th Fighter Group
44th Fighter Squadron	Thirteenth Air Force	18th Fighter Group
70th Fighter Squadron	347th Fighter Group	18th Fighter Group

1. This action does not authorize any change of station or strength.

2. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General, without delay giving dates of reassignments.

3. Upon completion of the above action, the 18th and 347th Fighter Groups will consist of:

Hq, 18th Fighter Group
12th Fighter Squadron
44th Fighter Squadron
70th Fighter Squadron

Hq, 347th Fighter Group
67th Fighter Squadron
68th Fighter Squadron
339th Fighter Squadron

II. That a detachment, 6th Night Fighter Squadron, be attached to the 18th Fighter Group.

III. That the Commanding Generals, Hawaiian Department and South Pacific Area, be notified of this action by secret radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:

Gen. Arnold

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4. These units will be trained to perform functions similar to Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadrons (Reduced).

5. The station commander charged with the activation of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation of these units.

6. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

7. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Fla.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Chief of Transportation
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
FRED C. MILNER,
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Air Adjutant General.

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ARRANGEMENT FOR RECORD: This action was directed in OPD Disposition Form dated March 27, 1943, file reference 320.2 (11-12-42) Subject: "Station Complement Squadrons (Table of Organization)", and has been approved by the Deputy Chief of Air Staff (See General Hunley's approval on March 17, 1943, memorandum to the Chief of Air Staff, Subject: "Additional Service Requirements, Eighth Air Force"). The Eighth Air Force has requested these station complement squadrons on the basis of one (1) for each tactical group plus fifteen (15) squadrons for miscellaneous purposes, chiefly for stations being used as combat crew replacement centers. The units will perform housekeeping functions similar to the employment of Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadrons (Redated) in this country. Fourteen (14) of the units activated by this action are to be prepared for shipment to UK by May 1, 1943, and it is anticipated that the other seven (7) will leave during the month of May. Sixty (60) additional station complement squadrons have been requested by the European Theater for shipment during July, August and September. The paragraph on equipment was coordinated with M.M. & D. (Major Gannon and Mr. Malone). The action has been coordinated by telephone with Colonel Lochman, A-3 of the Third Air Force, who stated that sufficient housing for all twenty-one (21) units is available at the station of activation, but that it would be difficult for the Third Air Force to furnish the necessary personnel. However, coordination with Personnel disclosed that the Third Air Force is better able to provide the personnel than any other suitable activating agency. Major Blalock and Major Wilson of Personnel are coordinating with A-1 of the Third Air Force to supply them with suitable replacements for the personnel required for these units. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This memorandum is classified "Secret" because of the memorandum for record. Published letter should be classified "Restricted".

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Unit	Specification serial number	Grade	Total Air Corps	Total other arms and services	Aggregate	Squadron headquarters	Operations section: Air Corps	Operations section: Signal Corps	Utilities section	Chemical section	Medical section [a]	
STRENGTH SECTION												[1] Insert number of squadron.
Major		Maj	2		2	1	1					[a] When the military situation requires that medical service be made available on this base, a Medical Detachment Dispensary, Aviation, will be attached to the Station Complement Squadron.
Captain		Capt	3		3	1	2					
First lieutenant		1st Lt	3	1	4	1	1		1	1		[b] A flight officer may be substituted in this table for the second lieutenant.
Second lieutenant [b]		2d Lt	1		1	1						
Total commissioned			9	1	10	4	4		1	1		
Master sergeant		M Sgt	1		1				1			
First sergeant		1st Sgt	1		1	1						
Technical sergeant		T Sgt	2	1	3		2			1		
Staff sergeant		S Sgt	6	1	7	4	2	1				
Sergeant		Sgt	21	2	23	4	11	2	6			
Corporal		Cpl	36	4	40	11	18	2	10	2		
Private, first class }		Pfc	12	1	13	11	10	2	9	1		
Private		Pvt	10	2	12							
Total enlisted			87	11	101	31	40	7	26	4		
Aggregate strength			106	12	118	35	44	7	27	5		
QUALIFICATION SECTION												
AIR CORPS OFFICERS AND FLIGHT OFFICERS												
Engineering		Total	1			1						
Technical inspector		Capt	(1)			(1)						
All other officers group		Total	2			2	4		1			
Squadron commander		Maj	(1)			(1)						
Operations (flying control)		Maj	(1)				(1)					
		Capt	(2)				(2)					
		1st Lt	(1)				(1)					
Adjutant and statistical		1st Lt	(1)			(*1)						[*] Squadron adjutant primary duty.
Building and maintenance		1st Lt	(1)						(1)			
Supply, mess and transportation		2d Lt	(1)			(1)						
AIR CORPS ENLISTED MEN												
Administrative and technical clerk group		Total	20			2	2		2			
Administrative and technical clerk	801	S Sgt	(1)			(*1)						[d] Special service representative in addition to other duties.
		Sgt	(2)			(1)	(1)					
		Cpl	(8)			(2)	(2)		(1)			
		Pvt	(8)			(3)	(5)					
Administrative N C O	802	S Sgt	(1)				(1)					
		Sgt	(1)						(1)			
First sergeant	865	1st Sgt	(1)			(1)						
Supply N C O	821	S Sgt	(1)			(1)						
Army Air Forces radio mechanic	754	Total	2				2					
		T Sgt	(1)				(1)					
		Cpl	(1)				(1)					
Army Air Forces radio operator	756	Total	4				4					
		S Sgt	(1)				(1)					
		Sgt	(2)				(2)					
		Cpl	(1)				(1)					
Army control tower operator	582	Total	2				2					
		Sgt	(1)				(1)					
		Cpl	(1)				(1)					
Telephone and telegraph lineman	236	Total	2						2			
		Cpl	(1)						(1)			
		Pvt	(1)						(1)			
Telephone & telegraph repairman group		Total	3						3			
Telephone & telegraph equipment repairman	646	Sgt	(1)						(1)			
		Pvt	(1)						(1)			
Wire chief, telephone and telegraph	241	M Sgt	(1)						(1)			
Teletypewriter mechanic	239	Sgt	1						1			
Teletypewriter operator	237	Total	5						5			
		Cpl	(2)						(2)			
		Pvt	(3)						(3)			
Army airplane and engine mechanic	747	Total	4				4					
		T Sgt	(1)				(1)					
		Sgt	(1)				(1)					
		Cpl	(2)				(2)					
Cook group		Total	5			5						
Cook	060	Sgt	(2)			(2)						
		Cpl	(2)			(2)						
Mess sergeant	824	S Sgt	(1)			(1)						
Automotive equipment mechanic group		Total	-			-	4					
Automotive equipment mechanic	928	Sgt	(5)			(1)	(*4)					[*] Electrician, automotive.
		Cpl	(1)			(1)						
Motor transportation N C O	813	S Sgt	(1)			(1)						
Automotive equipment operator	929	Total	9			7	2					
		Cpl	(7)			(6)	(1)					
		Pvt	(2)			(1)	(1)					
Heavy automotive equipment operator group		Total	4				4					
Refueling unit operator	932	Cpl	(2)				(2)					
		Pvt	(2)				(2)					
General electrician	078	Total	4				3		1			
		Sgt	(1)						(1)			
		Cpl	(3)				(3)					
Draftsman	070	Cpl	1						1			
Other specialist group		Total	11						11			
Duty N C O	866	Sgt	(1)						(1)			
		Cpl	(3)						(3)			
Telephone switchboard operator	309	Sgt	(1)						(1)			
		Cpl	(2)						(2)			
		Pvt	(4)						(4)			
Basic group		Total	13			7	6					
Cook's helper	861	Pvt	(3)			(3)						
Fire fighter	383	Sgt	(2)				(2)					
		Cpl	(8)				(8)					

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82			Cpl	(1)							(1)					
83			Pvt	(1)							(1)					
84	Telephone & telegraph repairman group		Total	3							3					
85	Telephone & telegraph equipment repairman	646	Sgt	(1)							(1)					
86			Pvt	(1)							(1)					
87	Wire chief, telephone and telegraph	261	T Sgt	(1)							(1)					
88	Telephone maintenance mechanic	239	Sgt	1							1					
89	Teletypewriter operator	237	Total	5							5					
90			Cpl	(2)							(2)					
91			Pvt	(3)							(3)					
92	Army airplane and engine mechanic	747	Total	4				4								
93			T Sgt	(1)				(1)								
94			Sgt	(1)				(1)								
95			Cpl	(2)				(2)								
96	Cook group		Total	5			5									
97	Cook	060	Sgt	(2)			(2)									
98			Cpl	(2)			(2)									
99	Mess sergeant	824	S Sgt	(1)			(1)									
70	Automotive equipment mechanic group		Total	7			4	4								
71	Automotive equipment mechanic	928	Sgt	(1)			(1)	(4)								
72			Cpl	(1)			(1)									
73	Motor transportation N C O	813	S Sgt	(1)			(1)									
74	Automotive equipment operator	929	Total	9			7	2								
75			Cpl	(7)			(6)	(1)								
76			Pvt	(2)			(1)	(1)								
77	Heavy automotive equipment operator group		Total	4				4								
78	Refueling unit operator	952	Cpl	(2)				(2)								
79			Pvt	(2)				(2)								
80	General electrician	078	Total	4				3		1						
81			Sgt	(1)						(1)						
82			Cpl	(3)				(3)								
83	Draftsman	070	Cpl	1						1						
84	Other specialist group		Total	11						11						
85	Duty N C O	866	Sgt	(1)						(1)						
86			Cpl	(3)						(3)						
87	Telephone switchboard operator	809	Sgt	(1)						(1)						
88			Cpl	(2)						(2)						
89			Pvt	(4)						(4)						
90	Basic group		Total	13			7	6								
91	Cook's helper	821	Pvt	(3)			(3)									
92	Fire fighter	383	Sgt	(2)				(2)								
93			Cpl	(2)				(2)								
94			Pvt	(2)				(2)								
95	Messenger	678	Pvt	(2)			(2)									
96	Orderly	696	Pvt	(2)			(2)									
97	OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS															
98	Chemical (gas defense & station provost marshal)		1stLt		1						1					
99	OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN															
100	Administrative and technical clerk group		Total		2						2					
101	Administrative and technical clerk	801	Pvt		(1)						(1)					
102	Administrative N C O	808	T Sgt		(1)						(1)					
103	Decontaminating equipment operator	809	Cpl		2						2					
104	Visual signalman	765	Total		7				7							
105			S Sgt		(1)				(1)							
106			Sgt		(2)				(2)							
107			Cpl		(2)				(2)							
108			Pvt		(2)				(2)							
109	EQUIPMENT SECTION															
110	A Trailer, fuel servicing					2	2									
111	A Truck, fuel servicing					1	1									
112	D Carbine, cal. .30					97	28	36	6	23	4					
113	D Gun, submachine, cal. .45					11	3	4	1	3						
114	D Motorcycle, sole					1	1									
115	D Pistol, automatic, cal. .45					10	4	4		1	1					
116	D Trailer, 1/4-ton, cargo					1	1									
117	D Trailer, 1-ton, 2-wheel, cargo					1	1									
118	D Trailer, 1-ton, 2-wheel, water tank, 250-gallon					1	1									
119																
120	D Truck, 1/4-ton, 4 x 4					7 f	4									
121	D Truck, 3/4-ton, 4 x 4 command, without winch					1	1									
122	D Truck, 2½-ton, 6 x 6 cargo, without winch					1	1									
123	D Truck, 2½-ton, 6 x 6 cargo, with winch					1	1									

For basis of issue of other arms and equipment see TM/AGF Special Equipment List.

* Electrician, automotive.

f Increase by one if motorcycle not available.

The specification serial number shown in column 2 is an inseparable part of the specialist designation. For qualification analysis: see AR 615-26, September 15, 1942.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

APR 4 1943

Subject: Reorganization of the Headquarters, Detachment A, Fighter Command.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Headquarters, Detachment A, Fighter Command be reorganized by the Commanding General, European Theater of Operations at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization #1-70-1S, dated February 23, 1943, without change of station or assignment.

1. Total authorized strength of the reorganized unit will be twenty-three (23) Officers and twenty-six (26) Enlisted Men. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The date of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General) and the Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Iceland Base Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. P. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

R. C. LEWIS
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Acting Ass't Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was directed In OPD Disposition Form 320.2 ETO (11-13-42) dated February 27, 1943, subject: "Special Tables of Organization, Tables of Basic Allowances and Tables of Equipment". Reference is made to message 6554 (1-19-43) CM-IN-9228 (1-20-43) from ETO. The special Table of Organization inclosed with the OPD directive referred to above was revised and approved later for publication as Table of Organization 1-70-18. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Re-Organization of the Hq & Hq Sq, 8th Fighter Wing.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, 8th Fighter Wing be redesignated as the Hq & Hq Sq, 57th Bombardment Wing and re-organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-110-1, November 21, 1942 with an authorized strength of 45 officers, one warrant officer and 126 enlisted men.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces in Middle East
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers (Col. G.F. Lewis)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested Agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces in Middle East, Radio FAN/CG 345, March 28, 1943 from Moreton, and approved by outgoing message 24098, March 30, 1943 which was co-ordinated by G-3, Colonel Chaffee, who stated that it was not necessary to send this paper through for a formal written concurrence.

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Command and submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for approval and processing. Equipment in the special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner and shipped to the units at stations of activation.

3. Cadre, fillers and replacements will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #127 (Personnel Status Report).

4. The Station Commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the Adjutant General and the appropriate Service Command of the date of activation of such units.

5. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by you pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and technical order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding Officers all Stations of Activation
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Chemical Warfare Service
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Waldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Inclosure:
Manning Table.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is necessary to provide service at Edgewood Arsenal, Dugway Proving Ground, Huntsville Arsenal, and Camp Sibert in connection with experiments in Chemical Warfare Service, incendiary bomb program, High altitude spray, development of Air-burst fuses, proofing of incendiary and Chemical Bombs. This action was requested of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces in Memorandum SPCVD 452.11 AAF -SECRET (3-19-43), dated March 19, 1943, subject: Air Corps Detachment Requirements for the Chemical Warfare Service. See also R&R, same subject from M.M. & D. to O.C. & R., dated April 7, 1943. These actions will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. The 2nd Proving Ground Detachment has already been authorized for Edgewood Arsenal in accordance with M/T 1-3694, November 1, 1942. Memorandum stamped 'Secret' because of Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be 'Restricted'.

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Major		1
Captain		1
First Lieutenant		2
Second Lieutenant		1
TOTAL		5
Grade	I	1
	II	2
	III	6
	IV	6
	V	5
	VI	5
	VII	6
TOTAL		31
AGGREGATE		36

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Constitution and Activation of the 21st Weather Squadron.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 21st Weather Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (4-10-43) OR-I-AFRPG-M, subject as above, dated April 19, 1943 amended by letter AG 320.2 (4-20-43) OR-I-AFRPG-M, same subject, dated April 20, 1943 be further amended by the addition of the following paragraph 2e:

"2e. This unit will be moved at a strength of 51 officers, 0 warrant officers and 268 enlisted men. Filler personnel will be supplied by the receiving commander from units under his control."

II. That the following be notified of this action
(Same as original letter), plus
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Inasmuch as units are supposed to move overseas at total authorized strength, this action is necessary to permit shipment at the strength desired by the theater commander. Messages pertaining to this matter are as follows: #8092, Mar. 21, 1943 from ETO, #9665, Mar. 27, 1943 from AFO, #27499, Apr. 10, 1943 to AFO, #8685, Apr. 12 from ETO. Message #27499 informed the theater commander that it was contemplated that 51 officers and 268 enlisted men would be furnished from this country and requested his concurrence in that strength. The concurrence was contained in Message #8685. The action specifying strength at which the unit will move has been coordinated with and concurred in by Movements and Operations Division (Major Timberlake).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 54th Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following unit be reorganized as of April 20, 1943, by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, December 11, 1942, as indicated below without change of station or assignment:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1 Basic (Columns 7 to 15 Inclusive)	24	222
2 D/F Teams (Column 20)	0	20
1 Radio Relay Team (Column 22)	0	10
6 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)	0	18
6 Mess Teams (Column 17)	0	16
3 G.C.I. Control Teams (Column 19)	6	12
Total	30	298

1. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics will supply fillers and replacements from sources under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127 (Personnel Status Report).

2. Specific authorization of Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to Offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

4. The station commander charged with reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of reorganization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding Officer, 18th Statistical Control Unit, Orlando, Florida
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)

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Corps of Engineers (Col. H. G. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in M&R dated April 2, 1943, Comment #5, from O.C. & R., Air Defense Section, to Programs Branch, subject as above. This unit was originally scheduled for overseas shipment in February, but the 50th Fighter Control was substituted for it and the 54th will take over the operation of the Orlando Fighter Control System when the 50th, now on warning orders, departs for overseas service. In view of this, it is considered that the 54th should be allowed to reorganize and come to full strength as early as practicable. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This memorandum is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation, Redesignation and Transfer of Headquarters of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following letters be revoked or amended as indicated:

1. AG letter 320.2 (10-7-42) OR-M-AFM dated October 10, 1942, Subject: "Redesignation of Squadrons of the Army Airways Communication System", is amended to exclude the 8th Communications Squadron (Regional Control).

2. AG letter 320.2 (8-19-42) MR-M-AF dated August 25, 1942, Subject: "Transfer of the Headquarters, 8th Communication Squadron (Regional Control)", is revoked.

II. That the 8th Airways Communications Squadron be constituted, assigned to the Headquarters, Army Air Forces, and activated by the CINC, Southwest Pacific Area effective as of October 10, 1942, with Headquarters in Brisbane, Australia, absorbing all personnel and equipment of the 8th Communications Squadron (Regional Control).

1. Confirmation of activation on the retroactive date indicated will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Air Adjutant General) and the Adjutant General.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
CINC, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Mak Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. G. F. Lewis)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was directed in Disposition Form dated March 22, 1943, from G-3, file WDGCT 370.5 (3-17-43), subject: "Units Transferred from the Philippines", and is necessary to restore this unit to the status that existed immediately prior to the fall of the Philippines to prevent confusion that might result in records pertaining to finance, medical, mortality, historical and veteran matters. This action re-establishes the 5th Communications Squadron (Regional Control) in the Philippines and has been coordinated with the Army Airways Communications System (Major Schroeder).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

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Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Station Complement Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Third Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General thereof on April 10, 1943, at Jacksonville Municipal Airport, Jacksonville, Florida.

1st Station Complement Squadron
2nd Station Complement Squadron
3rd Station Complement Squadron
4th Station Complement Squadron
5th Station Complement Squadron
6th Station Complement Squadron
7th Station Complement Squadron
8th Station Complement Squadron
9th Station Complement Squadron
10th Station Complement Squadron
11th Station Complement Squadron
12th Station Complement Squadron
13th Station Complement Squadron
14th Station Complement Squadron
15th Station Complement Squadron
16th Station Complement Squadron
17th Station Complement Squadron
18th Station Complement Squadron
19th Station Complement Squadron
20th Station Complement Squadron
21st Station Complement Squadron

1. These units will be activated at full strength in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. All personnel will be supplied from sources under the control of the Third Air Force. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Forms #127 and #128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. Equipment will be in accordance with special equipment list to be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, M. M. & D.). Priority ratings for controlled items of equipment will be A-2(a).

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 1st Radar Calibration Detachment.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 1st Radar Calibration Detachment be constituted and assigned to the First Air Force for further assignment to the I Fighter Command. This unit will be activated by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, at Orlando, Florida, on April 20, 1943, and will be filled, trained and equipped by the Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics. Upon completion of training, control of this unit will pass to the First Air Force for tactical employment, administration and supply.

1. The attached Manning Table will be used as a guide in the organization of this unit which will have an authorized strength of nine (9) Officers and twenty-eight (28) Enlisted Men. Specific authorization of Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Personnel will be furnished from sources under the control of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics. Personnel replenishment for source units will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Forms #127 and #128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. This unit will be equipped in accordance with a special list of equipment to be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements, Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch).

4. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be A-5-(a)213.

5. Paragraph 2 of Army Air Forces Memorandum No. 35-1, dated June 13, 1942, Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", will apply.

6. The station commander charged with the activation of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate service command of the date of activation.

7. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to Offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

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8. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding Officer, 18th Statistical Control Unit, Orlando, Florida
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, I Fighter Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

1 Incl.
Manning Table
(AAF Radar Calibration Det)

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in M&R dated April 3, 1943, from Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch to Programs Branch, Subject: "Radar Calibration Flights". Reference is made to memorandum for Chief of Air Staff dated February 23, 1943, prepared by Air Defense, Subject: "Activation of Radar Calibration Flights", and M&R same subject dated February 26, 1943, with five subsequent Comments. The Chief of Air Staff has approved the activation of twelve (12) Radar Calibration Detachments which will be used to

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insure correct calibration of radar equipment now in operation both within United States and overseas. The ratio of Calibration Detachments to Radar stations will be one (1) Detachment per ten (10) stations. These Detachments will be attached or assigned to Fighter Commands operating a radar system so that all stations of the particular Fighter Command can be calibrated within a reasonable length of time. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This memorandum is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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RADAR CALIBRATION DETACHMENT

Manning Table

Designation: 4_____ Radar Calibration Det

		2 Ground Crew	3 Flight "A"	4 Flight "B"	Radar Crew [a] 5 Computing Team	6 Pre-Flight Team	7 Operating Team	8 Total	9 Enlisted Cadre
2	Major	1[b]						1	1
3	Captain		1[b]				1[c]	2	1
4	First Lieutenant			1[b]	1[d]			2	
5	Second Lieutenant		2[e]	2[e]				4	
6	Total Commissioned	1	3	3	1		1	9	2
7	Master Sergeant, Including	1						1	
8	Airplane Flight Chief (751)	(1)						(1)	
9	Technical Sergeant, including					1		1	1
10	Radio Repairman Reporting Equip (953)					(1)		(1)	(1)
11	Staff Sergeant, including		2	2		1		5	1
12	Airplane Crew Chief (750)		(1)	(1)				(2)	
13	AAF Radio Operator-Mechanic-gunner (757)		(1)	(1)				(2)	
14	Radio repairman, reporting Equip (953)					(1)		(1)	(1)
15	Sergeant, including	2			3		1	6	1
16	Armament Chief (663)	(1)						(1)	
17	Army AF Radio Operator & Mechanic (756)						(1)	(1)	
18	Computer (613)				(1)			(1)	(1)
19	Draftsman, topographic (076)				(1)			(1)	
20	Radio Mechanic F (888)	(1)						(1)	
21	Surveyer, topographic (230)				(1)			(1)	
22	Corporal, including		2	2			1	5	1
23	Army Airplane Mechanic-gunner (748)		(2)	(2)				(4)	
24	AAF Radio Operator and Mechanic (756)						(1)	(1)	(1)
25	Private, first class, including		1	1	1	1	2	6	1
26	Army airplane mechanic-gunner (748)		(1)	(1)				(2)	
27	Draftsman (070)						(1)	(1)	
28	Draftsman, topographic (076)				(1)			(1)	
29	Instrument Man, Surveying (228)					(1)		(1)	
30	Radar Operator (514)						(1)	(1)	(1)
31	Private, Including	1			1		2	4	
32	Administrative & Technical Clk (501)				(1)			(1)	
33	Airplane Armorer (911)	(1)						(1)	
34	Radar Operator (514)						(1)	(1)	
35	Recorder (743)						(1)	(1)	
36	Total Enlisted	4	5	5	5	3	6	28	5
37	Aggregate	5	8	8	6	3	7	37	7
38	0 Carbine, cal. .30				6	3	7	16	
39	0 Pistol, automatic, cal. .45	5	8	8				21	

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4 _____ Insert number of radar calibration flight.

a Signal Aircraft Warning personnel

b Pilot

c Technically trained officer designated calibration officer.

d Technically trained officer designated coordination officer.

e One copilot; one navigator.

This organization is not a self-sustaining unit and will be attached to organization s under control of a Commanding General, Fighter Command, or other command for tactical control, administration and supply.

The specification serial number shown in parentheses is an inseparable part of the specialist designation. For qualification analysis: See AR 615-26, September 15, 1942.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment of Certain Glider Flight Echelons of the 374th Troop Carrier Group.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Glider Flight Echelons now remaining in the continental United States for two squadrons of the 374th Troop Carrier Group Glider Echelon (Provisional) be disbanded effective April 20, 1943. All personnel and equipment will be absorbed in units under the control of the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command.

1. Twenty copies of the disbandment order issued by the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

2. The station commander charged with the disbandment of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command of the date of disbandment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding Officer, 17th Statistical Control Unit, Indianapolis, Ind.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Knudell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Disbandment of Certain Glider Flight Echelons of the 374th Troop Carrier Group.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with disposition form, file OPD 370.5 AUS (3-31-43), subject "317th Troop Carrier Group (Glider Flight Echelons) for the Southwest Pacific Theater", April 1, 1943 which stated that no glider flight echelons are desired for the remaining two squadrons of the 374th Troop Carrier Group. This paper is classified "Secret" due to the reference to overseas theater. However, published letter should be classified "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 713th Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 713th Signal Aircraft Warning Company be reorganized as of April 15, 1943, by the Commanding General, Third Air Force in accordance with Table of Organization #11-400, July 1, 1942, with teams as indicated below without change of station or assignment:

Team	B	C	D	E	F	H	I	J	P	R	S
Quantity	1	5	1	1	3	1	4	1	2	1	5

1. Total authorized strength of the reorganized unit will be seventeen (17) Officers, five (5) Warrant Officers and three hundred fifty-two (352) Enlisted Men, including two (2) Officers and twenty-one (21) Enlisted Men, attached Medical. Specific authorization of Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Filler personnel will be supplied from sources under the control of the Commanding General, Third Air Force. Personnel replenishment for source units will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

3. This action will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

4. The unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, September 15, 1942, as modified by a special equipment authorization to be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements, Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch) to operate four (4) radio sets SCR-270-D and one (1) radio set SCR-588 (GCI).

5. Priority rating of A-2(a) is assigned to this unit for controlled items of equipment.

6. Reporting platoons will be of the fixed type. See note "p", Table of Organization #11-400, July 1, 1942, or note (*) page 12, Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, September 15, 1942.

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7. Paragraph 2 of Army Air Forces Memorandum No. 35-1, dated June 13, 1942, Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", will apply.

8. Twenty copies of the [redacted] order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the Commanding General, Third Air Force be notified of this action by radio giving file designation of published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force (four copies)
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Chief of Transportation
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was directed by OPD Disposition Form 320.2/AE (4-1-43) dated April 2, 1943, Subject: "Radiogram CM-IN-13823 (26 March 1943) Aircraft Material and Personnel for Landcrab Operation"

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and was requested in MAR dated April 8, 1943, from Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch to Programs Branch, same subject as this memorandum. This unit will be prepared for early overseas shipment and OPD has directed that it will arrive at the Port of Embarkation not later than May 15, 1943. Reorganization is necessary to provide personnel to operate four (4) radio sets SCR-270-D and one (1) radio set SCR-588 (GCI). Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This memorandum is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Re-Organization and Re-Assignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Paragraph 4 of letter AG 320.2 (3-24-43) OR-L-AFHPU-M, subject as above, March 26, 1943 be deleted and the following substituted:

"4. Movement of cadre from Hammer Field, Fresno, California to Drew Field, Florida for permanent change of station will be made in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 4, letter Headquarters, Army Air Forces, December 28, 1942, file AAF 370.5, subject "Movement of Units within Continental Limits of United States."

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Same as original letter

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Director of Bombardment, March 27, 1943 and Movements and Operations Division, O. C. & R., April 2, 1943 by R&R subject "Movement of Ground Echelon, 23rd Antisubmarine Squadron" and telephone request from Colonel Halsey, Assistant A-1, Fourth Air Force, April 8, 1943.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. The Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command will furnish the necessary service for Air Force activities at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland; Dugway Proving Ground, Tooele, Utah; Huntsville Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama and Camp Sibert, Attalla, Alabama. Direct correspondence between the Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command and the agencies concerned is authorized in all matters in connection with furnishing this service.

II. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command and activated by the Commanding General thereof on April 20, 1943:

Unit and Priority Rating	Station of Activation	T/A
5th Proving Ground Det A-1(a)	Dugway Proving Ground, Tooele, Utah	#20, plus special list
6th Proving Ground Det A-1(a)	Huntsville Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama	#20, plus special list
#7th Proving Ground Det A-1(a)	Eglin Field, Floride (For Permanent Station at Camp Sibert, Attalla, Alabama	#20, plus special list

#Movement of unit to permanent station designated will be made in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 4, letter Headquarters, Army Air Forces, December 28, 1942, file AAF 370.5, subject: "Movement of Units within the Continental limits of the United States".

1. These units will be organized initially in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (A.C. of A.S., Personnel).

2. An exact Table of Organization and special list of equipment will be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Headquarters, 403d Bombardment Group (H) and Headquarters 479th Fighter Group.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That so much of letter AG 320.2 (4-17-43)OB-I-AFPPG-M, dated April 20, 1943, subject as above, as reads:

UNIT	TABLE OF ORGANIZATION	TABLE OF BASIC ALLOWANCES
Hq. 403d Bombardment Gp (H)	1-112 July 1, 1942 and changes	1, July 1, 1942 and changes

Be amended to read:

UNIT	TABLE OF ORGANIZATION	TABLE OF BASIC ALLOWANCES
Hq. 403d Bombardment Gp (H)	1-112 March 26, 1943	1, July 1, 1942 and changes

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces

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JOHN B. [illegible]
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested verbally on April 23, 1943 by Captain Moss of Requirements Division, Bombardment Branch.

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Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
CINC, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, United States Army Forces in India
Commanding General, Alaskan Defense Command
CINC, United States Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding Officer, Greenland Base Command
Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the Middle East
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
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Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding Officers, Northwest Service, African Caribbean, and Northeast Airways Communications Area Headquarters.
Commanding Officers, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 19th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, and 24th Airways Communications Squadrons.

For the Commanding General Army Air Forces

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in an R & R dated April 20, 1945 from Flight Control Command to Programs Branch, Subject "Reassignment of Airways Communications Squadrons". One function of the newly established Flight Control Command is to operate the Army Airways Communications System and reassignment of these units to that Command is necessary for proper control. All of units listed above are now assigned to Headquarters, Army Air Forces. A separate memorandum is being prepared on reassignment of the 104th Airways Communications Squadron.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Increase in the Headquarters and Headquarters Squadrons, Second and Third Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That an additional paragraph be added to letter AG 320.2 (3-5-43) OB-I-AFPTR-M, subject as above, dated March 8, 1943 to read as follows:

A special list of equipment will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, O. C. & R., Requirements Division - 2 copies only) to the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Materiel, Maintenance and Distribution. Equipment in the special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Same as original letter

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from Captain Bishop, Requirements Division, April 22, 1943, and is necessary in order that proper equipment required for the Photographic Sections in the Hq & Hq Sqs, Second and Third Air Forces may be provided.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Reorganization of the 5th Airways Communication Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 5th Airways Communication Squadron be reorganized by the Commanding Officer thereof at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization #1-447, dated October 1, 1943, to operate the following classes of stations in addition to squadron headquarters.

Number	Class Station
Communication	
11	Class A
2	Class B
2	Class C
11	Class D
19	Class X
Cryptographic	
4	Class I
7	Class II
11	Message Centers

1. Total authorized strength of the reorganized unit will be fifty (50) Officers, one (1) Warrant Officer and six hundred ninety-four (694) Enlisted Men. Specific authorization of Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General) and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
CINC, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding Officer, 5th Airways Communication Squadron
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Lt. Colonel, A. C.,
Acting Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated April 10, 1943, from Army Airways Communications System to Programs Branch, subject: "Increase in Authorized Strength of 5th Airways Communications Squadron". The action is necessary to provide additional personnel and equipment so adequate communications service can be furnished in accordance with requirements of the theater commander. The reorganization represents an increase of two hundred sixty-seven (267) Enlisted Men. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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26 April 1943

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(Attn: Air Quartermaster)
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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1. Noted. by General Hanley.

ROBERT H. HARPER,
Major, G. S. C.,
Asst. Sec. of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 7th Airways Communication Squadron.

320.2 (1-30-43)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 7th Airways Communication Squadron be reorganized by the Commanding Officer thereof at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization #1-447, dated October 1, 1942, to operate the following classes of stations in addition to squadron headquarters.

Number	Class Station
Communication	
10	Class A
6	Class C
11	Class D
20	Class X
Cryptographic	
4	Class I
6	Class II
10	Message Centers

1. Total authorized strength of the reorganized unit will be forty-nine (49) Officers, one (1) Warrant Officer and six hundred seventy-six (676) Enlisted Men. Specification authorization of Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Filler Personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General) and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding Officer, 7th Airways Communication Squadron

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCE:
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in MAR dated April 10, 1943, from Army Airways Communications System to Programs Branch, Subject: "Increase in Authorized Strength of 7th Airways Communications Squadron". The action is necessary to provide additional personnel and equipment so adequate communications service can be furnished in accordance with requirements of the theater commander. The reorganization represents an increase of one hundred forty-eight (148) [~~149~~] Enlisted Men. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Reduction in AAF and ASWAAF T/Os and T/Es.

Chief of the Air Staff (THRU: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements)
Chief, Requirements Division, O.A.C.A.S., O.C.&R.

April 21, 1943

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AFRSQ/P-1 4248
Col T.M. Lowe/gvs

1. In connection with recent directives issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces calling for a general reduction in all AAF and ASWAAF units and installations, this Division wishes to bring to your attention the copy of the attached directive recently received by this Division from the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, W.D.G.S., in this regard.

2. Pursuant to this directive, instructions are being issued by this Division, this date, to all Headquarters Army Air Forces offices and agencies responsible for T/Os and T/Es to institute a study immediately to determine where these tables can possibly be cut. A report is to be made to this Division by June 1, 1943.

3. This Division, which is charged with the approval of these tables, is monitoring the project, and will carefully review each table for possible reductions in the general overall study.

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SECRET Memo, WDGCT 320 (4-12-43), to CG, AAF fr ACS, G-3 dtd 4-12-43 (in dup)

MERVIN E. GROSS
Colonel, Air Corps

TO: AS/AS - OCAR

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FROM: Secretary of the Air Staff

DATE: 24 April 1943
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1. Noted by the acting Chief of Air Staff and returned.

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MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

APR 23 1943

Subject: Reorganization of the 17th Weather Squadron.

320.2 (4-36)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 17th Weather Squadron be reorganized by the Commanding Officer thereof at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Manning Table #1-3627, dated January 29, 1943, with the following types of stations and sections:

Number	TYPE
1	Squadron Headquarters
1	"A" Station
6	"B" Stations
1	"D" Station
4	"E" Stations
1	"R" Section
15	"S" Sections

1. Total authorized strength of the reorganized unit will be thirty (30) Officers, nine (9) Warrant Officers, and two hundred fifteen (215) Enlisted Men. Specific authorization of Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Air Adjutant General) and the Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
CINC, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding Officer, 17th Weather Squadron
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was recommended in memorandum for the Chief of Staff from Commanding General, Army Air Forces, dated April 6, 1943, Subject: "Reorganization of the 9th, 10th, 15th, and 17th Weather Squadrons" and was directed in OPD Disposition Form 320.2 (4-5-43) dated April 10, 1943, same subject. See also R&R dated April 15, 1943, same subject, from Flight Control Command. The action is necessary because this unit needs additional personnel and stations to provide adequate weather service and under the present authorizations sufficient personnel and equipment cannot be sent to meet the requirements of the theater commander. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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APR 20 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation, Redesignation and Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following letters be amended as indicated below:

1. Letter AG 320.2 (9-26-42) OR-I-AF-M dated September 29, 1942, Subject: "Constitution, Activation and Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units", is amended by deleting Paragraph 8 pertaining to the transfer, reorganization and reassignment of the 21st and 34th Fighter Squadrons.

2. Letter AG 320.2 (5-13-42) MR-M-AF dated May 15, 1942, Subject: "Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units", is amended by deleting the redesignation of the 21st Pursuit Squadron (I) and the 34th Pursuit Squadron (I) as the 21st and 34th Fighter Squadrons respectively.

3. Letter AG 320.2 (4-23-42) MR-M-GPD dated May 4, 1942, Subject: "Activation, Redesignation and Reassignment of Air Corps Units", is amended by deleting Paragraph 1 pertaining to the transfer of the 21st and 34th Pursuit Squadrons.

II. That the 486th and 487th Fighter Squadrons be constituted, assigned to the 352nd Fighter Group and activated at Mitchel Field, New York, by the Commanding General, First Air Force effective retroactively as of May 4, 1942, absorbing all personnel and equipment of the 21st and 34th Fighter Squadrons respectively, (now designated as Pursuit Squadrons by the action in Paragraph 2 above).

1. Priority rating for the 486th and 487th Fighter Squadrons will be the same as that of the units from which personnel and equipment are being absorbed.

2. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, First Air Force, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

3. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 13, 1942, #15-108, December 15, 1942 and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

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III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
CINC, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, N.Y.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. G. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN R. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was directed by memorandum WDGCT 370.5 (1-11-43) dated January 23, 1943, from G-3 to Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Subject: "Units Transferred from the Philippines". See G-3 memorandum, same file and same subject, dated April 9, 1943, excluding certain units from the original directive. This action restores to the units involved the designations and locations that existed immediately prior to the fall of the Philippines, and is necessary to prevent confusion that might arise in records pertaining to finance, medical, mortality, historical and veteran matters. Activation of the new Fighter Squadrons is necessary to absorb personnel and equipment that has been operating as the 21st and 34th Fighter Squadrons, which now return, from a records standpoint, to the Philippines as the 21st and 34th Pursuit Squadrons (I). This memorandum completes action on all the units in the Philippines that were transferred, disbanded and/or redesignated subsequent to the loss of the Philippines in compliance with the G-3 directive of January 23, 1943, as amended by memorandum of April 9, 1943.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Third Air Force (four copies)
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Corps of Engineers(Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Matchbird
Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (8 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrence
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested by R & R dated April 24, 1943 from Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch to Program Branch, subject as above. This unit is being reorganized to fill a requirement of an overseas theater. This reorganization will not exceed the current Aircraft Warning Service Troop Unit Basis. See radio no.4933 from London of April 21, 1943 requesting this action. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This Memorandum is classified "Secret" because of reference to overseas commitment in Memorandum for record. Published directive should be "Restricted". This action was discussed informally with Col. Lee of OPD who requested that the Memorandum be routed through OPD for formal concurrence.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

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Subject: Reassignment of the 10th Airways Communications Squadron.

The Secretary of War Directs:

I. That the 10th Airways Communications Squadron be relieved from its present assignment and reassigned to the Flight Control Command, without change in authorized strength or station.

1. Confirmation of reassignment will be reported without delay to Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General) and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces in India, China and Burma.
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force.
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force.
Commanding General, Air Transport Command.
Commanding Officer, 10th Airways Communications Squadron.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers(Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General Army Air Forces

Concurrence:
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JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R & R dated April 20, 1943 from Flight Control Command to Programs Branch subject: "Reassignment of Airways Communications Squadrons". One function of the newly established Flight Control Command is to operate the Airways Communications System and the other Airways Communications Squadrons and Area Headquarters, which were assigned to Headquarters, Army Air Forces, have been reassigned to the Flight Control Command by separate action. The 10th Airways Communications Squadron renders communications services to multiple users including Air Transport Command, 10th Weather Squadron, the Royal Air Force, the Chinese, the Tenth and Fourteenth Air Forces and is the link between Africa, The Middle East and the Southwest Pacific. At present it is assigned to the United States Army Forces in India but proper exercise of its responsibilities requires that it be reassigned to the Flight Control Command.

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Tables of Organization. - Reduction of Personnel & Equipment Therein.

Management Control.

27 April 1943.

Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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1. Your attention is invited to the attached memorandum from G-3, dated April 12, 1943, subject: "Organization of Army Air Force Units." This memorandum requires a study of our Tables of Organization with a view to reduction of personnel and equipment provided therein.

2. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces, has expressed himself as favoring Manning Tables over Tables of Organization, thus saving printing and countless hours of work in adjusting personnel to vacancies. If it is possible to obtain authority to do so, personnel should be assigned to units by total number including a specific number of grades, ratings and specialists who can then be assigned to duties in the unit as desired by the commanding officer.

3. Equipment must be kept to a minimum consistant with [illegible] efficiency. Peak loads will not be considered as normal. As an example of this, although it is desirable and some times necessary to move all the personnel of a squadron from one airdrome to another, it is seldom necessary to do it all at one time. Trucks can make round trips repeatedly. Passenger transportation need not be provided in the ratio of one car for every important staff section.

4. It is desired that you issue the necessary instructions to the staff sections concerned and present the required report to this Headquarters for forwarding to G-3 not later than June 29, 1943.

Incl: Memo frm G-3
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T. J. HANLEY, JR.,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reassignment of ~~Certain~~ Airways Communications Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be relieved from their present assignments and reassigned to the Flight Control Command, without change in authorized strength or station.

Northwest Airways Communications Area Headquarters
Pacific Airways Communications Area Headquarters
African Airways Communications Area Headquarters
Caribbean Airways Communications Area Headquarters
Northeast Airways Communications Area Headquarters
1st Airways Communications Squadron
2nd Airways Communications Squadron
3rd Airways Communications Squadron
4th Airways Communications Squadron
5th Airways Communications Squadron
6th Airways Communications Squadron
7th Airways Communications Squadron
8th Airways Communications Squadron
9th Airways Communications Squadron
11th Airways Communications Squadron
12th Airways Communications Squadron
13th Airways Communications Squadron
15th Airways Communications Squadron
16th Airways Communications Squadron
17th Airways Communications Squadron
18th Airways Communications Squadron
19th Airways Communications Squadron
20th Airways Communications Squadron
21st Airways Communications Squadron
22nd Airways Communications Squadron
23rd Airways Communications Squadron
24th Airways Communications Squadron

1. Confirmation of reassignment will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention Air Adjutant General) and The Adjutant General by the Commanders concerned.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

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August 28, 1942.

SUBJECT: Combat Crews per Airplane

TO: Commanding Generals,
All Air Forces
All Army Air Forces Commands.

1. Consideration has been given to recommendations received from theatre commanders urging the assignment of combat crews to units in greater proportion than one crew per airplane.

2. Plans of this headquarters for future procurement and training of personnel have been revised to expand the basis for assignment of combat crews per airplane to the ratios indicated below:

a. Fighter Aircraft - 1½ crews;

b. Bombardment Aircraft - 1½ crews;

c. Observation and Light Bombardment Aircraft - 1½ crews;

d. Transport Aircraft - 2 crews;

e. Glider Aircraft - 1 1/3 crews.

3. The training agencies concerned have been directed to prepare their future programs in accordance with the policy established, and, as future production of trained personnel is developed, the Tables of Organization of units will be appropriately revised.

By command of Lieutenant General ARNOLD:

/s/ Wm. W. Dick
WILLIAM W. DICK
Colonel, A.G.D.
Air Adjutant General.

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SUBJECT: Combat Crews per Airplane

TO: Commanding Generals,
all Air Forces
all Army Air Forces Commands

1. Letter, this headquarters, above file and subject, August 26, 1942, is rescinded.

2. Plans of this headquarters for procurement and training of personnel now provide a basis for assignment of one combat crew per airplane in all types of combat units. As sufficient aircraft become available to provide a reserve of aircraft in excess of full unit equipment shown in Tables of Organization, plans contemplate continuing to provide one combat crew per airplane, including both unit equipment and reserve aircraft, until reserve aircraft is equal to 50% of unit equipment. In other words, it is planned ultimately to provide a 50% combat crew reserve based on Tables of Organization, this to be accomplished gradually and concurrently with the provision of a 50% aircraft reserve when such becomes possible. Based on total aircraft provided, this results in providing one combat crew per airplane, but it ultimately amounts to one and one half crews per unit equipment airplane.

3. The length of time required to accomplish the above will necessarily be influenced by actual future attrition in aircraft and crews. Furthermore, the ultimate basis described above will be reached at different times in different types of units, and in some types such a basis has practically been realized in certain theatres at the present time. However, based on experience to date, and considering current estimates of future aircraft production and all other factors involved, it appears that this basis should be reached in all types of units by the early part of 1944.

By command of General ARNOLD:

F. O. MILNER
Colonel, A.G.D.
Air Adjutant General.

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SUBJECT: Program Planning - Flying Training A.A.F. Memorandum No. 150-3.

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Headquarters Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C., April 30, 1943
To the Commanding General, Flying Training Command, Fort Worth, Tex.

1. Receipt is acknowledged of Form D - Schedule of Personnel Available for Assignment, by Classification and by Months, prepared as of March 31, 1943.

2. It is noted that covering correspondence indicates Form D prepared as of April 15, 1943, but, the Form D received with the correspondence states on upper right-hand corner that data was prepared as of March 31, 1943.

By command of General ARNOLD:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Combat Crews Per Airplane.

Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments & Requirements 7 May 43

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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1. General Hall directed return of the attached to you for resubmission after conferences with General Arnold next week similar to yesterdays session on heavy and medium bombardment aircraft.

2. It is contemplated that this matter will be formally decided at that time, then letter can be dispatched indicating the policy reference combat crews.

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MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 706th Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 706th Signal Aircraft Warning Company be reorganized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, in accordance with T/O 11-400, July 1, 1942, to include the following teams:

Team	B	C	G	I	R
Quantity	1	2	1	1	1

1. Total authorized strength of the reorganized unit will be eight (8) officers, three (3) warrant officers and one hundred thirty-one (131) enlisted men, including two (2) officers and eleven (11) enlisted men, attached medical. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The unit will be equipped in accordance with T/BA 11-S, September 15, 1942, with modifications, if any, as specified by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements, Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch).

3. Reporting platoon will be of the fixed type. See note "p" T/O 11-400, July 1, 1942, or note (°) page 12, T/BA 11-S, September 15, 1942.

4. Any excess personnel or equipment will be transferred to Signal Aircraft Warning Units under control of the Commanding General, Third Air Force.

5. This action will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

6. Paragraph 2 of AAF Memorandum #35-1 dated June 13, 1942, Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", will apply.

7. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to the directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Companies with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Paragraph 5 of letter AG 320.2 (4-6-43) OR-I-AFRPG-M, subject as above, dated April 8, 1943, be deleted and the following substituted:

"5. Each of these units will be fully equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances 11-3, September 15, 1942, including a total of 4 each Radio Sets SCR-188-A as prescribed therein for units equipped with Radio Sets SCR-270-( ). Radio Sets SCR-270-( ) will not be furnished as organizational equipment; however, each unit will train on such equipment issued temporarily for training purposes".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Ent. as 320.2 (4-6-43)

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with RAR from ACAS, OCAR, Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch, dated May 1, 1943, subject as above, based on information received in Message CM-IN-15878 (26 April 43) which indicated that radio communications equipment will be required for these units. Message referred to indicates that equipment requested will be required for training and planning for probable requirement of large aircraft warning organization. These units are set up to go to U.K. Action informally concurred in by Col. Hubbard, OPD, who stated that it was not necessary to send this paper through OPD for formal concurrence. This memorandum is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Medical Squadrons, Air Evacuation, Transport.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation
801st Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport	801st Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron
802nd Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport	802nd Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron
803rd Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport	803rd Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron
804th Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport	804th Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron
805th Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport	805th Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron
806th Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport	806th Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron
807th Medical Squadron, Air Evacuation, Transport	807th Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron

1. This action does not authorize any change of station, strength or assignment.

2. Twenty copies of the redesignation order issued by the commanders concerned pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
CINC-U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Waldell)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Commanding Officer, I Troop Carrier Command
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN E. DOOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Air Surgeon's Office, Operations Division by R&R subject "Redesignation of the Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadrons", dated May 1, 1943 and is necessary to comply with the Table of Organization designation.

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Constitution and Activation of the 40th Mobile Communication Squadron.

OPD, W.D.G.S.

Necessary action

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Memo for TAG,
above subject.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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320.2 (1-15-43)

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Augmentation of the Hq & Hq Sq, 24th Composite Wing (Sp).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, 24th Composite Wing (Sp) be augmented at the earliest practicable date by a Signal Section to be organized as indicated below:

Officers:

1st Lieutenants	1	(Gen Com Engr)
2nd Lieutenants	2	(Radar Specialist (1) (Radio Specialist (1)
Total	3	

Enlisted Men:

Technical Sergeants	4	(Foreman (166) and/or (077) Ground Radio Specialist (174) Airborne Radio Specialist (174) Wire Chief Specialist (261)
Staff Sergeants	2	(Radar Repairman (963), Wire Repairman (097) and/or (239)
Total	6	

1. Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

2. The increased allotment of personnel will not be filled locally. Fillers will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The necessary direct communication pertaining to this increase is authorized.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General) giving the date of increase.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Iceland Base Command

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Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with OPD directive, 320.2 (2-19-43), dated April 23, 1943, subject "Allotment of Signal Inspection and Maintenance Detachments". The function of this additional personnel is to inspect maintenance procedures with field units, make spot repairs where required, and to instruct Signal Maintenance personnel in new repair methods. Co-ordination has been secured with the following: Captain Gunnell (Personnel, Enlisted Section), Major Bean (Personnel, Officer Section), Lt. Colonel Bevans and Major Gannon (M.M. & D.) and Lt. Colonel Riese and Lt. Colonel Breckenridge, O.C. & R.). The Theater Branch will advise the Theater Commander to furnish priorities for shipment based upon revised availability charts. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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April 27, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES

Subject: Combat Crews per Airplane

I. References:

1. Your verbal instructions to the undersigned that double crews and crew and half per airplane be eliminated from the plans of this headquarters.

2. Classified letter, this headquarters, file AAF 320.2, above subject, August 28, 1942, copy attached.

II. Discussion

1. It is assumed that furnishing 15% of Table of Organization strength in combat crews to active theatres each month will be sufficient both to replace actual losses and to provide for the return to the Zone of the Interior of war weary combat crew personnel. Experience to date has not proven this assumption incorrect.

2. Existing plans provide for monthly production of combat crews by the RTU's actually in excess of the numbers required to meet the prescribed attrition rate. This excess production of crews is generally designed to increase units in theatres from the present reduced Table of Organization basis to the normal Table of Organization basis during 1943, and to accomplish this increase as nearly as possible concurrently with the availability of aircraft to effect the same augmentation in unit equipment.

3. As units in active theatres receive sufficient aircraft in the latter part of 1943 and during 1944 to build up an aircraft reserve in excess of normal Table of Organization unit equipment, and with one combat crew per unit equipment airplane, the ratio of one combat crew per airplane in commission will be approached. Since it is well known that an airplane in commission can outfly a combat crew, it is considered that a ratio of over one crew per airplane in commission is a necessity. This is attained at present through the absence of an aircraft reserve, but it is evident that this situation will not continue as aircraft production continues to increase.

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4. It is possible that future experience may indicate that the 15% per month crew attrition rate for active theatres is insufficient to provide for both loss replacement and war weary replacement. If RTU production is geared to meeting only this 15% requirement, there will be no leeway to provide for such a contingency.

5. After units in active theatres have reached normal Table of Organization strength in combat crews, the furnishing of combat crews in excess of the 15% monthly attrition may be viewed as accomplishing any of three different purposes, as follows:

a. Providing a basis of over one crew per unit equipment airplane.

b. Furnishing more than 15% attrition.

c. Maintaining a pool of combat crew personnel in the theatre to facilitate the relief of war weary combat crew personnel.

6. In any event, theatre commanders will undoubtedly utilize the combat crews received in the manner that best fits the needs of the situation as it develops.

7. It is believed that the plans of this headquarters should provide for an ultimate 50% reserve in combat crews based on Tables of Organization for all types of combat units, or one and one half crews per unit equipment airplane. It is further believed that this reserve in crews should be provided as nearly as possible concurrently with the provision of reserve aircraft. This would therefore still amount to one crew per airplane if reserve aircraft is included. This is considered the minimum practical basis for combat crew production below which the planning of this headquarters should not go.

8. Since there is a definite limit to the total Army Air Forces personnel of all categories that can be supported logistically in overseas theatres with available shipping, it is considered that the reduction in the numbers planned should be made in other than combat crew personnel to the extent necessary to permit adherence to the combat crew basis indicated in the preceding paragraph.

III. Action recommended

Approval of the attached letter, subject: "Combat Crews per Airplane", to the Commanding Generals of all Air Forces and all AAF Commands, to supersede letter, same subject and address, August 26, 1942, referred to in Section I, paragraph 2, above.

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Major General, U. S. Army
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May 13, 1943

SUBJECT: Aircraft Allotments to Theaters

TO: Chief of the Air Staff,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff,
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel,
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Intelligence,
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training,
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Materiel, Maintenance and Distribution,
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements,
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Plans,
Advisory Council.

Attached hereto are the present objectives for allocation to theaters of combat aircraft by types of units, except as regards reconnaissance (observation) and photographic units. Objectives for allocation of aircraft to the two excepted types of units in theatres will be published at an early date.

By command of General ARNOLD:

M. Gilos
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Chief of Air Staff
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III. Action recommended

Approval of the attached letter, subject: "Combat Crews per Airplane", to the Commanding Generals of all Air Forces and all AAF Commands, to supersede letter, same subject and address, August 20, 1942, referred to in Section I, paragraph 2, above.

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Unit	Station of Activation	Date of Activation
33rd Station Complement Sq	Kellogg Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
34th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
35th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
36th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
37th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
38th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
39th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
40th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
41st Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
42nd Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
43rd Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
44th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
45th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
46th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
47th Station Complement Sq	Selfridge Field, Michigan	May 20, 1943
48th Station Complement Sq	Geronaca Army Air Field, Greenwood South Carolina	May 20, 1943

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Unit	Station of Activation	Date of Activation
49th Station Complement Sq	Coronaca Army Air Field, Greenwood South Carolina	May 20, 1943
50th Station Complement Sq	Coronaca Army Air Field, Greenwood South Carolina	May 20, 1943
51st Station Complement Sq	Coronaca Army Air Field, Greenwood South Carolina	May 20, 1943
52nd Station Complement Sq	Coronaca Army Air Field, Greenwood South Carolina	May 20, 1943
53rd Station Complement Sq	Atterbury Army Air Field, Columbus, Indiana	May 20, 1943
54th Station Complement Sq	Atterbury Army Air Field, Columbus, Indiana	May 20, 1943
55th Station Complement Sq	Atterbury Army Air Field, Columbus, Indiana	May 20, 1943
56th Station Complement Sq	Atterbury Army Air Field, Columbus, Indiana	May 20, 1943
57th Station Complement Sq	Atterbury Army Air Field, Columbus, Indiana	May 20, 1943
58th Station Complement Sq	Atterbury Army Air Field, Columbus, Indiana	May 20, 1943
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Unit	Station of Activation	Date of Activation
61st Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	May 20, 1943
62nd Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	May 20, 1943
63rd Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	May 20, 1943
64th Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	May 20, 1943
65th Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	May 20, 1943
66th Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	May 20, 1943
67th Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	May 20, 1943
68th Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	May 20, 1943
69th Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	May 20, 1943
70th Station Complement Sq	Walterboro Army Air Field, Walterboro, South Carolina	June 1, 1943
71st Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
72nd Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida.	June 1, 1943
73rd Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943

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Unit	Station of Activation	Date of Activation
74th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
75th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
76th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
77th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
78th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
79th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
80th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
81st Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
82nd Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
83rd Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
84th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
85th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
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Unit	Station of Activation	Date of Activation
87th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943
88th Station Complement Sq	Jacksonville Army Air Field, Jacksonville, Florida	June 1, 1943

1. These units will be organized in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. Cadres for the 22nd through the 82nd Station Complement Squadrons, inclusive, will be furnished by the Third Air Force. Cadres for the 83rd through the 88th Station Complement Squadrons, inclusive, will be furnished by the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command. All filler personnel for the 22nd through the 88th Station Complement Squadrons, inclusive, will be furnished by the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Forms #127 and #128 (Personnel Status Report).

3. Direct communication pertaining to the activation of these units is authorized between the Commanders concerned.

4. The 22nd through the 47th Station Complement Squadrons, inclusive, will be brought to full strength and begin operational training on June 1, 1943, or as near as practicable to this date; the 48th through the 70th Station Complement Squadrons, inclusive, will be brought to full strength and begin operational training on June 15, 1943, or as near as practicable to this date; the 71st through the 88th Station Complement Squadrons, inclusive, will be brought to full strength and begin operational training on July 15, 1943, or as near as practicable to this date.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with special equipment list to be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Material, Maintenance and Distribution). Priority ratings for controlled items of equipment will be A-2 for the 22nd through the 47th Station Complement Squadrons, inclusive, and A-4 for the 48th through the 88th Station Complement Squadrons, inclusive.

6. The Station Commanders charged with the activation of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant General of the dates of activation.

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7. Twenty copies of the activation orders issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to Offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

8. Army Air Forces Regulations #15-107, December 12, 1942, #15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #306, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Technical Training Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with OPD directive, WDGS Disposition Form, File Reference OPD 320.2 ETO (11-13-42), Subject: "Station Complement Squadron (Table of Organization)", and M&R, Comment No. 2, dated May 8, 1943, from A.C. of A.S., M.M. & D., Orgn. & Trng. Branch, Subject: "Activation of Station Complement Squadrons" requesting that action be taken to prepare such Squadrons for overseas shipment in accordance with said OPD directive, with stations of activation and the activating agency to be as indicated on communication from Commanding General, Third Air Force, Reference 3AF 322.082 (4-15-43), dated May 2, 1943, M&R, Comment No. 2 states that cadres for thirty-six (36) of these units and all filler personnel is to be furnished by the Technical Training Command and that the action requiring the Technical Training Command to furnish this personnel was coordinated with Colonel L. O. Ryan, Liaison Officer of the Technical Training Command, and Major S. Smith, Enlisted Section, A.C. of A.S., Personnel. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Sixty (60) of these units are in the Army Air Forces Expansion Program and seven (7) of these units will be secured by removal of the necessary personnel from Engineer Battalions Aviation. This action concurred in by Col. Coate of M.M. & D. and Col. Love of Requirements, O.C. & R. This paper is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum For Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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Taking Full Advantage of the Officer Personnel we have.

General Stratemeyer — March 15, 1943

Colonel Hall — 2

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1. A directive has been sent to Military Personnel requiring that Captain Andrus be ordered to the 2nd or 3rd Air Force for eventual assignment to combat duty.

2. With reference to General Arnold's remarks concerning relief of officers from such stations as Bolling Field for assignment to combat duty, the Air Inspector is now conducting a survey directed by you in your memorandum of February 23, (copy attached). The Air Inspector has been directed to give Bolling Field a No. 1 priority in connection with this survey and to submit a separate report on that station.

3. I will follow this matter up with the Air Inspector and see that his report on the Air Forces in general is submitted at the earliest practicable date.

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WILLIAM E. HALL,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 8th Airways Communications Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 8th Airways Communications Squadron be reorganized by the Commanding Officer thereof at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization 1-447, dated 29 May 1943, with authorization to operate the following stations in addition to regional control and squadron headquarters:

Communications	
Class A	5
Class B	15
Class D	21
Class T	12
Class X	34
Aerialcraft	
Class I	4
Class II	6
Message Centers	9

1. Total authorized strength will be eighty-two (82) officers, one warrant officer and eight hundred forty-nine (849) enlisted men. Officer and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. Equipment for the reorganized unit will be in accordance with Table of Equipment 1-447, and will be supplied to the fullest extent from sources now available to this unit. Shortages will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding Officer, 8th Airways Communications Squadron

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Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
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Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

~~CONCURRENCE~~:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with RSR dated 26 July 1943 from Requirements Division, Communications Branch, subject "Reorganization of Airways Communications Squadron", and is based on letter dated 26 June 1943 from the Army Airways Communications System Wing. The reorganization is necessary to provide authorization of personnel and equipment for the stations planned for this region and will also accomplish organization of the unit under the recently approved table of organization. Copy of station list is attached for OPD's information. This particular region is not involved in the action which is being taken by Headquarters, Army Air Forces to comply with the War Department directive pertaining to readjustment of communications regions as the boundary thereof will remain as now defined. This action involves an increase of thirty-seven officers and two hundred sixty-six enlisted men and a decrease of two warrant officers. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 5th Airways Communications Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 5th Airways Communications Squadron be reorganized by the Commanding Officer thereof at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization 1-447, dated 29 May 1943, with authorization to operate the following stations in addition to regional control and squadron headquarters:

Communications	
Class A	17
Class B	14
Class C	13
Class D	35
Class E	8
Class T	4
Class X	46
Cryptographic	
Class I	4
Class II	13
Message Center	10

1. Total authorized strength will be one hundred thirty-one (131) officers, one warrant officer and one thousand four hundred eleven (1411) enlisted men. Officer and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. Equipment for the reorganized unit will be in accordance with Table of Equipment 1-447 and will be supplied to the fullest extent from sources now available to this unit. Shortages will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding Officer, 5th Airways Communications Squadron

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Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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REMARKS:
OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with RAR dated 24 July 1943 from Requirements Division, Communications Branch, subject "Reorganization of Airways Communications Squadrons, and is based on letter dated 28 June 1943 from the Army Airways Communications System Wing. The reorganization is necessary to provide authorization of personnel and equipment for the stations planned for this region and will also accomplish organization of the unit under the recently approved table of organization. Copy of station list is attached for OPD's information. This particular region is not involved in the action which is being taken by Headquarters, Army Air Forces to comply with the War Department directive pertaining to readjustment of communications regions as the boundary thereof will remain as now defined. This action involves an increase of eighty-one officers and seven hundred seventeen enlisted men and a decrease of two warrant officers. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Reorganization of the 16th Airways Communications Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 16th Airways Communications Squadron be reorganized by the Commanding Officer thereof at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization 1-467, dated 29 May 1942, with authorization to operate the following stations in addition to regional control and squadron headquarters:

Communications	
Class B	23
Class D	13
Class E	3
Class F	4
Class K	26
Meteorographic	
Class I	1
Class II	13
Message Center	1

1. Total authorized strength will be forty-seven (47) officers, one warrant officer and six hundred twenty-six (626) enlisted men. Officer and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. Equipment for the reorganized unit will be in accordance with Table of Equipment 1-467 and will be supplied to the fullest extent from sources now available to this unit. Shortages will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 16th Airways Communications Squadron

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Enclosures:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with RAR dated 24 July 1943 from Requirements Division, Communications Branch, subject "Reorganization of Airways Communications Squadrons, and is based on letter dated 28 June 1943 from the Army Airways Communications System Wing. The reorganization is necessary to provide authorization of personnel and equipment for the stations planned for this region and will also accomplish organization of the unit under the recently approved table of organization. Copy of station list is attached for OPD's information. This particular region is not involved in the action which is being taken by Headquarters, Army Air Forces to comply with the War Department directive pertaining to readjustment of communications regions as the boundary thereof will remain as now defined. This action involves an increase of nine officers and two hundred ninety-nine enlisted men and a decrease of one warrant officer. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment and Increase of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 1st Photographic Procurement Detachment be disbanded effective 1 August 1943 by the Commanding Officer thereof and personnel reported immediately to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition.

1. Equipment will be returned to the appropriate Chiefs of Technical Services.

2. Twenty copies of the disbandment order issued by the Commanding Officer, 1st Photographic Procurement Detachment pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

3. The Station Commander charged with disbandment of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General of the date of disbandment.

II. That the Hq & Hq Sq, Fifth Air Force be increased by a Photographic Section to be organized in accordance with the attached corrected Personnel Allotment Table 1-215. Total authorized strength of this section will be three (3) officers, one (1) warrant officer and sixty-five (65) enlisted men. Officer and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

1. Filler personnel will be shipped without requisition.

2. Equipment for the Photographic Section will be in accordance with the attached special list. Equipment will be supplied to the fullest extent by the theater commander and any shortages will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, First Air Force

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Commanding Officer, 1st Photographic Procurement Detachment, Bradley Field, Conn.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
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Technical Services Division, Mulabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:
Signed

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Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with requests in RAI's, dated 13 July 1943 from Requirements Division, subject "Augmentation of Fifth Air Force for Photographic Section" and RAI dated 18 May 1943 from Requirements Division, subject "Augmented Photo T/O and Photo Reproduction Unit, Fifth Air Force". Reference is made to Message #21422, dated 4 April 1943 from Brisbane requesting personnel as indicated on P/A/F 1-388. The Fifth Air Force was authorized a Photo Section consisting of three officers and eighteen enlisted men in Adjutant General letter dated 11 March 1943 but the Sq & Sq Sq was recognized in a subsequent letter dated 20 March 1943 in accordance with a personnel allotment table which inadvertently did not include the photographic section previously authorized. Therefore, it is necessary to have this action include the original authorization as well as the requested increase. The Photographic Section as authorized herein appears on Table of Organization recently submitted by the CINC-SWPA for approval of the War Department. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

ADDITION TO MEMO FOR RECORD: This paper is being forwarded to G-2 on verbal instructions of Captain Pierce of that Division.

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Photographic Section
HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON,
FIFTH AIR FORCE

Colonel	*(1)
Lieutenant Colonel	1
Captain	1
First Lieutenant	1
TOTAL	3
Warrant Officer	1
Clerical general (9901)	(1)
Master Sergeant	2
Photographic chief (943)	(1)
Army aerial photographer (940)	(1)
Technical Sergeant	3
Army aerial photographer (940)	(1)
Photographic laboratory chief (944)	(1)
Photographic laboratory technician (945)	(1)
Staff Sergeant	6
Administrative NCO (502	(1)
Supply NCO (821)	(1)
Photographic laboratory technician (945)	(4)
Sergeant	13
Cameraman, motion picture (043)	(1)
Draftsman (070)	(1)
Photographer (152)	(1)
Cameria technician (941)	(1)
Photographic laboratory technician (945)	(9)
Corporal	16
Administrative and technical clerk (501)	(1)
Draftsman (070)	(2)
Photographer (152)	(1)
Projectionist (137)	(2)
Photographic laboratory technician (945)	(10)
Private, first class	13
Draftsman (070)	(2)
Photographer (152)	(1)
Photographic laboratory technician (945)	(10)
Private	12
Photographic laboratory technician (945)	(12)
TOTAL	65
AGGREGATE	69

* When the Photographic Group is assigned to the Fifth Air Force the Group Commander will serve as Section Chief in addition to his other duties.

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25 JUL 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of the 1st and 56th Fighter Control Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 1st and 56th Fighter Control Squadrons be redesignated as the 1st and 56th Fighter Control Squadrons (Special) and reorganized by the commanders concerned, effective 1 August 1943, without change of station or assignment, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated 11 May 1943, as indicated:

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1 Basic (Cols 7 to 15, inclusive), less 13 CWS Mech from line 49, column 11, and less 16 CWS Mech from line 48, column 12	24	193
1 Control Team (Column 17)	3	0
1 D/F Team (Column 18)	0	10
3 G.C.I. Control Teams (Column 19)	6	12
7 Mess Teams (Column 20)	0	14
7 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)	0	21

1. In addition to the teams shown above under Table of Organization 1-47, the following personnel is authorized:

30 HF Radio Teams, each consisting of --

1 - Sergeant	
1 - Staff Sergeant	-- Radio Mechanic SSN 174
2 - Corporals	-- Radio Oper SSN 760
	-- Radio Oper SSN 760

1 Cryptographic Team, as follows --

1 - 2nd Lieutenant	-- Cryptographic Officer
2 - Sergeants	-- Code Clerks SSN 806
2 - Corporals	-- Code Clerks SSN 806
3 - Privates, First Class	-- Code Clerks SSN 806
2 - Privates	-- Code Clerks SSN 806

2. Total authorized strength of each squadron will be thirty-four (34) officers and three hundred thirty-nine (339) enlisted men. Specific authorization

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Technical Services Division, Baltimore Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

HENRY B. HOHMAN
Lt. Colonel, A. G. D.
Asst. Air Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R to Theater Branch, from Air Defense, subject "Fighter Control Squadrons for Southwest Pacific" dated 14 July 1943. The Commanding General, Fifth Air Force has stated in recent radiograms that it is not considered advisable to convert Fighter aircraft in that area to VHF fighter control, and has requested that Fighter Control Squadrons being shipped to that theater be organized and equipped for HF operations. This action represents an increase of eight officers and thirty-three enlisted men, and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. The enlisted grades on the HF radio teams and the cryptographic teams were concurred in by ACAS, Personnel (Captain Gunnell). This memorandum is classified SECRET because of Memorandum for Record but publication will be RESTRICTED.

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of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. Additional personnel required will be furnished from sources under the control of the commander concerned. Personnel replacement will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127-A and 127-B (Personnel Status Reports).

4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Equipment 1-47, dated 11 May 1943, with the following exceptions:

In Section 8, Signal Equipment, delete all authorizations of the following items:

SCR-299
SCR-188
SCR-272
SCR-273
SCR-274
SCR-275
SCR-624
FR-75

In lieu of the above, substitute the following items:

6 SCR-299
6 SCR-188
14 URM 3W Link Sets, Model 1498, with antennas, crystals, etc.
4 SCR-291 or equivalent
17 FR-75
6 Radio Receivers, Hammarlund, HQ-120 or equivalent
2 15 KW Diesel Power Units
1 Kit Plotting Equipment

5. The Station Commander charged with reorganization of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander and The Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

6. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the commander concerned pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, N.Y.
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Calif.
Commanding General, Air Service Command

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL: 25 JUL 1943

Subject: Organization of Liaison Squadron Detachment #1.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Commanding General, Third Air Force, be directed to organize at the earliest practicable date at Alamo Field, San Antonio, Texas, Liaison Squadron Detachment #1 and prepare it for functional duty.

1. Inclosure #1 will be used as a guide in the organization of Liaison Squadron Detachment #1. This is not a constituted unit and has no authorized strength. Upon arrival at destination it will be absorbed in its parent unit without increase in authorized strength of that unit.

2. This detachment will be equipped in accordance with letter SPI-400-(21 July 43) OB-S-SPDDL-M dated 23 July 1943, subject: "Special List of Equipment for Liaison Squadron Detachment #1".

II. That the Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India be notified by separate secret letter that Liaison Squadron Detachment #1 is being organized for the 71st Liaison Squadron, pursuant to secret letter AG 322 (11 June 1943) OB-I-AFHPG-M dated 17 June 1943, subject: "Disbandment, Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units", and that upon arrival at destination this detachment, which is not a constituted unit, will be absorbed as fillers by the 71st Liaison Squadron without increasing the authorized strength of that unit.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Fla.
Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces, China-Burma-India (separate secret letter)
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force (separate secret letter)
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

HENRY B. HOHMAN
Lt. Colonel, A. G. D.
Asst. Air Adjutant General

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Incl. #1-"Guide For Organization of Liaison Sq Det. #1".

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is necessary to enable shipment of necessary equipment with the personnel being supplied the Tenth Air Force for fillers for the 71st Liaison Squadron, which was activated in the Theater by the AG letter referred to herein, absorbing personnel from the detachment, 77th Observation Group (Liaison, Aviation). This AG letter authorized shipment of fillers and equipment without requisition, but did not set up a detachment which it now develops is needed to meet the requirements of the Theater for both personnel and equipment. This action does not represent an increase in the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Published directive to the Third Air Force should be "Restricted".

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GUIDE FOR ORGANIZATION OF LIAISON SQUADRON DETACHMENT #1

AIR CORPS OFFICERS	Capt.	1st Lt.	2nd Lt.	Total
1-engine pilot	1	1	3	5
Observer		2		2
All other officers	1	1	1	3
Total Air Corps	2	4	4	10
OTHER ARMS AND SERVICE OFFICERS				
Flight Surgeon	1			1
Total Officers	3	4	4	11

AIR CORPS ENLISTED MEN		T. Sgt.	S. Sgt.	Sgt.	Cpl.	Pvt.	Total
Adm and Tech Clerk	501				3		3
Adm NCO	502			2			2
AAF Tech Supply NCO	826			1			1
Airplane Armorer	911				1	1	2
AAF Radio Oper & Mech	756		1		2	2	5
Enlisted Liaison pilot mechanic	772	4	12				16
Airplane crew chief			8				8
Army AP & engine mech	747			1	4	3	8
AP elec. specialist	686			1	1		2
Army AP dope & fabric worker	548			1	1		2
Decontaminating equip operator	809				1		1
Parachute rigger & repairman	620			1			1
Welder	256			1			1
Cooks	060			2			2
Photo Lab. tech.	945		1	2	2	1	6
Motor Transp. NCO	813			1			1
Carpenter	050				1		1
Draftsman	070				1		1
Cook's helper	521					2	2
TOTAL AIR CORPS		4	22	13	17	9	65
OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN							
Adm and Tech clerk	501					1	1
Ambulance Driver	699					1	1
Medical technician	409				1		1
Medical NCO	673			1			1
TOTAL OTHER ARMS				1	1	2	4
TOTAL ENLISTED MEN		4	22	14	18	11	69

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23 JUL 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reassignment of Certain Medical Supply Platoons, Aviation.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 44th and 57th Medical Supply Platoons, Aviation be relieved from present assignment to Air Depot Groups, only, and that the 44th Medical Supply Platoon, Aviation be reassigned to the 65th Air Depot Group.

1. This reassignment does not affect present assignment of these units to the Air Service Command, and does not authorize change of station.

2. Twenty copies of the reassignment order issued by the Commanding General, Air Service Command, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

3. Confirmation of this assignment will be furnished the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General by letter.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 15th Statistical Control Unit (Sp), Patterson Fld, Ohio
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Surgeon General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers,
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
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Memo For TAG, Subj: "Reassignment of Certain Medical Supply Platoons, Avn".

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from AGAS, MM & D, Organization and Training Branch, by R & R, subj: "Reassignment of Certain Medical Supply Platoons (Avn), dated 13 July 1943, based on request from Hq, Air Service Command by letter, ASCPT2, same subject, dated 8 July 1943 and is desirable by reason of the fact that the overseas movement of the 44th Air Depot Group does not include the 44th Medical Supply Platoon (Avn). The subject unit is still at Brookley Field and it is desired that it be reassigned to the 65th Air Depot Group, which is also located at that station. This paper is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation, Reorganization and Disbandment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Glider Crew Training Center be constituted, assigned to the I Troop Carrier Command and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Bowman Field, Kentucky on 1 August 1943.

1. This unit will be organized in accordance with Table of Distribution 1-1230-1, dated 12 July 1943, and will have a total authorized strength of ninety-one (91) officers and six hundred thirty-six (636) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Cadre, fillers and replacements will be supplied by the I Troop Carrier Command. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 137-A and 137-B.

3. Equipment for this unit will be in accordance with Table of Allowances #20 and #1-10, and Table of Equipment #21. Priority rating for controlled items will be A-3(a)-518.

II. That the 34th and 43rd Troop Carrier Squadron Glider Echelons (Provisional) be disbanded, effective 1 August 1943, with all personnel and equipment thereof absorbed in other units under the control of the I Troop Carrier Command.

III. That the following units be reorganized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-317, dated 3 February 1943, with Changes #1 and 2, dated 28 May 1943 and 28 June 1943, respectively, less Column 16, without change of station or assignment:

24th Troop Carrier Squadron
25th Troop Carrier Squadron
26th Troop Carrier Squadron
29th Troop Carrier Squadron
31st Troop Carrier Squadron

1. Total authorized strength will be fifty-six (56) officers, one

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warrant officer, and two hundred thirty-three (233) enlisted men.

IV. That twenty copies of the activation, disbandment and reorganization orders issued by the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command pursuant to this directive be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

V. That the Station Commanders charged with activation, disbandment and reorganization of units under authority of this letter notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Ill., and The Adjutant General of the dates of activation.

VI. That the CINC, SWPA be authorized by separate secret letter to reorganize the following units at the earliest practicable date without change of station or assignment:

Hq, 317th Troop Carrier Group
39th Troop Carrier Squadron
40th Troop Carrier Squadron
41st Troop Carrier Squadron
46th Troop Carrier Squadron

Hq, 374th Troop Carrier Group
6th Troop Carrier Squadron
21st Troop Carrier Squadron
22nd Troop Carrier Squadron
33rd Troop Carrier Squadron

88th Troop Carrier Squadron.

1. The Headquarters, Troop Carrier Groups will be reorganized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-212, 15 February 1943 with authorized strength of twenty-six (26) officers, one warrant officer and eighty (80) enlisted men. The Troop Carrier Squadrons will be reorganized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-217, 5 February 1943, with Changes #1 and #2, dated 28 May 1943 and 26 June 1943, respectively, less Column 18.

2. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

VII. That the following be notified of this action:
CINC, SWPA
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding Officer, 17th Statistical Control Unit, Indianapolis, Indiana

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Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
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Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: The activation of the Hq & Hq Sq, Glider Crew Training Center and the reorganization of the [illegible] 30th and 31st Troop Carrier Squadrons is in accordance with [illegible] dated 17 July 1943 from the Special Assistant, Glider Program, and has been [illegible] by the Troop Carrier Branch, Requirements Division, OCAR. The disbandment of the 34th and 43rd Troop Carrier Squadron Glider Echelons (Provisional) was requested in letters dated 7 June 1943 and 9 July 1943 from the I Troop Carrier Command. Reorganization of the 317th and 374th Troop Carrier Groups was requested in Message #C2933 dated 14 July 1943 from Brisbane. Column 16 of Table of Organization 1-317 for Troop Carrier Squadrons is the glider echelon consisting of three officers and twenty-three flight officers (Glider Pilots) and twenty-six enlisted men, and is being eliminated from the squadrons of these two groups as well as the 58th squadron at the request of the Special Assistant, Glider Program (Colonel Gabel) and Troop Carrier Branch, Requirements Division (Lt.Col. Coe) inasmuch as Message #A6112 dated 11 April 1943 from Brisbane indicated glider echelons were not desired in that theater. All of the overseas units were shipped without glider echelons and the purpose of eliminating Col. 16 is to make the authorized strength consistent with actual employment of the units. Furthermore, the action is necessary to provide personnel in the Army Air Forces program for activation of the Glider Unit Training Center. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Two letters are necessary for security purposes. This memorandum classified secret because of Memorandum for Record. Published letter directed to Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command should be Restricted.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 23 JUL 1943

Subject: Increase in the Hq & Hq Sq, X Air Force Service Command.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, X Air Force Service Command be increased by an Aerial Mines Section to be organized in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table L-382, 2 July 1943. Total authorized strength will be sixty-two (62) officers, six (6) warrant officers and one hundred forty-three (143) enlisted men.

1. Additional personnel required will be supplied by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and will be shipped without requisition.

2. No additional unit equipment is necessitated by the increase authorized herein.

3. The date of increase will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in India
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Increase in the Hq & Hq Sq, X Air Force Service Command.

Concurrence:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Attn: P/A/T 1-282

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with MAR's from AGAS, OCAR, Requirements Division, 7 July 1943 and AGAS, OCAR, Theaters Branch, 15 July 1943, subject "Personnel Allotment Table for Misc Personnel under T/O 9-417", and was requested by the theater in Message Aquila W940 USW, 24 June 1943 (CM-IN 18480, 25 June 1943) from New Delhi. Reference is made to reply by the Theater Branch in Message 2660, 26 June 1943 (CM-OUT 11288, 27 June 1943). Three aerial mines specialists are required in addition to the five enlisted men provided in T/O 9-417, Ordnance Supply and Maintenance Co, Avn. While the theater's request indicated the increase was desired for a service group, it has been considered advisable to allot the personnel to the service command for the purpose of achieving greater flexibility in the use of such a section. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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PERSONNEL ALLOTMENT TABLE
NO. 1-232

P/A/T 1-232
WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, 2 July 1943.

AERIAL MINES SECTION

HQ & HQ SQ, X AIR FORCE SERVICE COMMAND

First lieutenant Aviation ordnance officer	1	(1)
Total commissioned	1	
Technical sergeant Ammunition NCO (505)	1	(1)
Staff sergeant Ammunition NCO (505)	1	(1)
Sergeant Ammunition NCO (505)	2	(2)
Corporal Ammunition NCO (505)	2	(2)
Private, first class Munitions worker, aviation (901)	2	(2)
Private Munitions worker, aviation (901)	2	(2)
Total enlisted	10	
Aggregate	11	

All of the above enlisted personnel will be trained Aerial mines mechanics.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

7 JUL 1943

Subject: Redesignation of Hq & Hq Sq, Air Defense Wings.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated, without change in authorized strength, station or assignment:

Present Designation	New Designation
Hq & Hq Sq, 1st Air Defense Wing	Hq & Hq Sq, 62nd Fighter Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, 2nd Air Defense Wing	Hq & Hq Sq, 63rd Fighter Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, 3rd Air Defense Wing	Hq & Hq Sq, 64th Fighter Wing
Hq. & Hq Sq, 4th Air Defense Wing	Hq & Hq Sq, 65th Fighter Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, 5th Air Defense Wing	Hq & Hq Sq, 66th Fighter Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, 6th Air Defense Wing	Hq & Hq Sq, 67th Fighter Wing

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, N.Y.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. H.C. Kuldell)
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Redesignation of the Hq & Hq Sq, Air Defense Wings.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

~~Concurrences~~:

Signed

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( ) JOHN E. COOLEY,
A.G.D.,
Assistant Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request in R&R, Comment #4, dated 28 June 1943, subject "Redesignation of Air Defense Wings to Fighter Wings" and has been approved by the ACAS, Operations, Commitments and Requirements who is desirous of eliminating the word "defense" from the designation of units of this type. It is believed that the new designations not only will be more suitable for such units but will be advantageous from the standpoint of morale.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Augmentation of Certain Ordnance Companies Aviation (Service).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following Ordnance units be reorganized at the earliest practicable date with new authorized strengths as follows:

Unit	New Authorized Strength			To be Reorganized by the Commanding General
	Off.	W.O.	E.M.	
2063rd Ord Co Avn (Serv)	1	0	883	First Air Force
2064th Ord Co Avn (Serv)	1	0	983	Second Air Force
2066th Ord Co Avn (Serv)	1	0	916	Fourth Air Force

1. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication. Job classification of enlisted personnel requirements will be as indicated on Inclosure #1.

2. Personnel to accomplish this reorganization will be supplied from sources under the control of the Commander concerned. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #127-B (Personnel Status Report).

3. The Commanders concerned will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the dates of reorganization.

4. Twenty copies of the reorganization orders issued pursuant to this directive will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made be offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force

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Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, N.Y.
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Calif.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
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Technical Services Division, Edgewood Arsenal, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request in M&R, with attached inclosures, dated 29 June 1943, Subject: "Ordnance Companies, Aviation (Service)", from ACAS, M&D, Air Ordnance Office to Programs Branch. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. The Ord Co Avn (Serv), now set up for overseas in the program, is to be deleted to furnish the personnel allotment. This memorandum is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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	First Sgt (000)	Clerk, Company (000)	Automotive Mech, Mechanic (000)	Clerk, Adm & Technical (000)	Carpenter (000)	Machine Gun Gun Mech (000)	Truck Driver (000)	Painter, Auto (000)	Vacuum Mechanic, Aircraft (000)	Basic (000)	
Grd Service (Serv) for First AF	1	2	104	138	0	178	74	0	39	14	563
Grd Sv Avn (Serv) for Second AF	1	2	260	210	0	390	60	30	30	0	983
Grd Sv Avn (Serv) for Fourth AF	1	2	200	108	0	400	0	9	98	5	916

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 1531st Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crew Aviation.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command reorganize the 1531st Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crew Aviation in accordance with Column 4 of Manning Table attached at the earliest practicable date, without change of station or assignment.

1. Equipment will be furnished in accordance with Table of Equipment 521 plus inclosure #2. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be A-2.

2. Personnel for this reorganization will be furnished by the First Air Force. Additional personnel required to accomplish this reorganization will be secured in the normal manner by submission of A.A.F. Form 126 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The Station Commander charged with the reorganization of this unit will report without delay to the Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General the date of reorganization.

4. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Eastern Defense Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Fld, N.Y.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Quartermaster General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is necessary to provide a boat crew for Army Air Forces Boat P-277 for voyage to Iceland, on or about 1 August 1943. This action was requested by the Air Quartermaster in R&R of 13 July 1943 and gives as basis for this request disposition form, WDGS, dated 25 May 1943, subject: "Navy Operation of Army Air Forces Boats assigned to Iceland" and R&R to the Theater Branch dated 9 July 1943 from the Air Quartermaster. Personnel for this reorganization will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This action provides additional personnel in accordance with Col. 3 of attached M/T, necessary for a boat on transoceanic voyage. In this connection reference is made to Memorandum to OPD-WDGS subject: "Navy Operation of AAF Boats assigned to Iceland", dated 14 July 1943 from Commanding General, Army Air Forces. Lt. Col. Train of OPD WDGS concurred informally and states formal concurrence is not necessary.

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104' Seagoing Rescue Boat on Trans-Oceanic Mission

No	1	2 Operating Crew	3 Ferrying Crew	4 Total Crew on Trans-oceanic trip
1.	1st Lieut., Master (118)		1	1
2.	2nd Lieut., 1st Mate (119)	1		1
3.	2nd Lieut., Chief Engineer (080)		1	1
4.	Total Commissioned Officers (1)	1	2	3
5.	Warrant Officers, Including (2)			
6.	2nd Mate (119)	1		1
7.	1st Asst. Engineer (080)	1		1
8.	2nd Asst. Engineer (080)	1		1
9.	Total Warrant Officers	3		3
10.	S/Sgt., Radio Op. Highspeed (766)	1		1
11.	Sgts., Including			
12.	Surgical Technician (861)	1		1
13.	Oilers and Engine Repairman (141 and 013)	1	2	3
14.	Boatswain (065)	1		1
15.	Corporal			
16.	Cook (060)	1		1
17.	Privates, first class, including			
18.	Privates			
19.	Deckhands (AB) (065)	2	1	3
20.	Total Enlisted Men	7	3	10
21.	Aggregate	11	5	16

REMARKS

(1) If properly qualified commissioned officers are not immediately available for the positions of Master and Chief Engineer, qualified Warrant Officers may be appointed to these positions, pending the processing of the necessary papers to commission them.

(2) If properly qualified Warrant Officers are not immediately available for the positions listed for Warrant Officers, qualified S/Sgts may be assigned to these positions, pending the processing of the necessary papers appointing them Warrant Officers.

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List of Special clothing and equipment to be issued CH Rescue Boat Crew, Avn

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1. **Chemical Warfare equipment**

Mask, gas, service	ea	1 per Individual

2. **Quartermaster clothing and equipment**

Boots, rubber, hip	pr	1 per deckhand
Coat, oil skin	ea	1 per W.O. and E.M.
Gloves, leather, heavy	pr	1 per E.M.
Goggles, M 1942 or M 1943	pr	1 per E.M.
Hat, Oil skin	ea	1 per W.O. and E.M.
Hat, rain	ea	6 per 104' Rescue Boat
Helmet, steel, M1	ea	1 per Individual
Jacket, rain	ea	6 per 104' Rescue Boat
Mittens, horsehide, lambskin lined.	pr	1 per E.M.
Muffler, wool, O.D.	ea	1 per W.O. and E.M.
Overcoat, parka type	ea	1 per Individual
Overshoes, arctic	pr	1 per Individual
Tague, wool knit, M 1941	ea	6 per 104' Rescue Boat
Trousers, oil skin	ea	1 per W.O. and E.M.
Trousers, rain	ea	6 per 104' Rescue Boat

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Quartermaster Boat Crews Aviation.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 1538th, 1544th, 1545th, 1546th, 1547th, 1548th Quartermaster Rescue Boat Crews Aviation be redesignated as Quartermaster Boat Crews (Avn) (Class IV) without change of numerical designation.

1. The Commanding General, Air Service Command will reorganize these units under Column 8 of Table of Organization 10-497, of 20 June 1943 with an authorized strength of nine (9) enlisted men, at the earliest practicable date without change of station or assignment.

2. These units will be equipped in accordance with special list of equipment prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

a. The Assistant Chief of Air Staff, M.M. & D., will prepare and process this special list of equipment.

3. These units will be prepared for functional duty by 21 July 1943.

4. Personnel for this reorganization will be furnished by the Commanding General, Air Service Command. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of A.A.F. Form 128 (Personnel Status Report). Any excess personnel resulting from these reorganizations will be absorbed in other units under the control of the Air Service Command.

5. The Station Commander charged with the reorganization of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the dates of reorganization.

6. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Air Service Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 15th Statistical Control Unit (Sp),Patterson Fld,Ohio
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Quartermaster General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance,Tank Automotive Center,Detroit,Mich(5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. B. G. Waldall)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:
Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Reference is made to radiogram A-428 to Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force, 10 July 1943 and reply from Spaats signed Eisenhower of 13 July 1943, AR-661, requesting these six crews. Reference also made to R&R from ACAS, WMAD, to OCdR Theater Branch of 15 July 1943, subject: "Request for directive to move the 1536th, 1544th, 1545th, 1546th, 1547th and 1548th Quartermaster Class IV Boat Crews Avn" which requested this reorganization. Personnel for these actions will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Date to be prepared for functional duty furnished by Theater Branch, OCdR. Col. Woods, Quartermaster, Air Service Command in conversation with Major Blackburn of WMAD on 14 July 1943 stated that these units could be reorganized and prepared for functional duty by 21 July 1943. This memorandum stamped 'Secret' because of Memorandum for Record; published paper should be stamped 'Restricted'.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of the 761st Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 761st Signal Aircraft Warning Company is redesignated as the 761st Signal Aircraft Warning Company (Special) and will be reorganized, effective as of 1 August 1943, without change of station or assignment, by the Commanding General, Third Air Force in accordance with Table of Organization #11-488S, now being processed by the War Department, with an authorized strength of eleven (11) officers and three hundred twenty-three (323) enlisted men, including one (1) officer and twenty-seven (27) enlisted men, attached medical.

1. These actions will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

2. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. Personnel necessary to accomplish this reorganization will be furnished by the Commanding General, Third Air Force.

4. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished by submission of AAF Form #127-B.

5. The reorganized unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Equipment #11-488S, now being processed in Air Defense Branch (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations Commitments and Requirements, Requirements Division).

6. Operational assignment will be administrative (company), plotting (ground observer filter center) and four observer platoons (six ground observer posts each).

7. The reorganized unit will be fully equipped and begin operational training 15 August 1943, and will be fully prepared for functional duty 1 October 1943.

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8. Twenty copies of the redesignation and reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

9. Confirmation of redesignation and reorganization will be reported without delay to the Service Commander concerned, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General by letter.

10. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated 26 June 1942, as amended.

11. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Tuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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14 JUL 1943
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from ACAS, OCAR, 7 July 1943, Subject: "Redesignation and Reorganization of the 761st Sig Aircraft Warning Co", based on secret radiogram #879, dated 23 June 1943 from Chungking (CM-IN-18179, 24 June 1943) and a War Department directive.

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Disposition Form, GPD 320.2 GTO (3 July 43), 6 July 1943, Subject: "Requirement for Aircraft Warning Company in Asiatic Theater" and Memorandum for ACAS, Operations Div, 3 July 43, same subject, prepared by ACAS, OCAR, Theater Branch. This action will result in no change in officers, in a decrease of three (3) warrant officers and in an increase of one hundred ten (110) enlisted men authorized for this unit. This paper is classified "SECRET" because of the Memorandum for Record. Published letter should be classified "RESTRICTED".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attention OPD)

Subject: Establishment of Historical Officers in Army Air Forces.

I. Discussion.

1. AR 345-105 as amended by Changes No.3 dated 9 March 1943 and AAF Regulation 20-8 based thereon and other pertinent Army Air Forces publications called for the compilation of definitive histories of all units and all phases of Army Air Forces activities.

2. Attention is called "Progress Toward Military Historiography" (Tab A); "History of American Military Aviation" (Tab B); Incoming Message dated 22 June from Algiers asking for Historical Officers (Tab C); Incoming Message dated 29 May from Chunking which shows a desire for guidance in preparation of History (Tab D); and to AAF Personnel Allotment Table, No.1-238 dated July 6, 1943 (Tab E).

3. In consequence of discussion over the past nine months among various agencies and officials of the British Air Ministry, the War Department, and the Air Staff and as a result of thorough studies of technical problems involved, and in accordance with communications and directives from the President, the Deputy Chief of Staff, the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, and Commanding Generals in theatres of operations, it is deemed advisable to establish Historical sections comprised of trained historians with assistants in those Air Forces not under the jurisdiction of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces at the earliest possible moment.

4. The present situation in compliance with the provisions of AR 345-105 is unsatisfactory. The fact is that in very few cases is any attempt made to comply therewith and these few are completely inadequate. This is due in part to the preoccupation of commanders concerned with operations and in part to the lack of proper understanding of the highly technical procedures of necessity involved. Personnel trained in historical methods are required to gather and assimilate official records and to supplement these on the scene by personal interviews while events are transpiring in rapid succession, before participants have scattered and before their

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memories have dimmed or become clouded with inaccurate imaginings. It is essential that data be prepared properly and submitted systematically in accordance with regulations so that the compilation of factually accurate and inclusive history may be begun without further delay.

II. Action recommended:

The Secretary of War directs that:

1. Manning Tables for the following Air Forces be amended to include full time Historical Officers in accordance with the following tabulation:

a.	First Air Force	1 Lt.Col.
b.	Fourth Air Force	1 Lt.Col.
c.	Fifth Air Force	1 Lt.Col.
	5th Bomber Command	1 Major
	5th Fighter Command	1 Major
	5th AF Base Command	1 Major
d.	Sixth Air Force	1 Lt.Col.
e.	Seventh Air Force	1 Lt.Col.
f.	Eighth Air Force	1 Colonel
	8th Bomber Command	1 Lt.Col.
	Bomber Command	1 Major
	8th Fighter Command	1 Lt.Col.
	8th Air Support Command	1 Major
	8th AF Service Command	1 Major
g.	Ninth Air Force	1 Lt.Col.
	9th Bomber Command	1 Major
	9th Fighter Command	1 Major
h.	Tenth Air Force	1 Lt.Col.
i.	Eleventh Air Force	1 Lt.Col.
j.	Twelfth Air Force (NW African AF)	1 Colonel
k	12th Bomber Command (Strategic Air Force)	1 Major
	12th Air Support Command (Tactical Air Force)	1 Major
	12th Coastal A.F.	
	12th Training Command	1 Major
	12th Photo Wing	
	12th Troop Carrier	
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Officers are being furnished them to assist in discharging this responsibility and informing them that the Commanding General, Army Air Forces has been authorized to issue directly to the commanders technical instructions and appropriate circulars prepared in Headquarters, Army Air Forces, designed to produce uniform procedures for the submission of AAF historical data and directing them to provide Historical Officers such facilities and assistance as is necessary to the full and accurate execution of AR 345-105 (Tab F).

3. That the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, be directed to submit upon appropriate occasions proposals for changes in Manning Tables involving Historical Officers to conform with changes in structure, personnel, and activities of the several Air Forces and that he shall prepare technical instructions and appropriate circulars to be distributed to Historical Officers (Tab G).

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

GEORGE E. STRATEMEYER,
Major General, U.S.A.,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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PROPOSED DIRECTIVE TO COMMANDING GENERALS
OF THE AIR FORCES

1. Commanding Officers will note that AR 345-105 as amended 9 March, 1943 is not being complied with. It is understood that failure here is due in part to preoccupation with operations and the performance of other duties. It is believed that this failure is also due to the lack of personnel professionally trained as historians.

2. To facilitate the full compliance with AR 345-105 there are being dispatched to the following Air Forces full time Historical Officers in the number listed and assignment designated:

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	8th Air Support Command	1 Major
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	9th Fighter Command	1 Major
h.	Tenth Air Force	1 Lt.Col.
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5. It is directed that the Historical Officers so assigned will be given facilities and assistance necessary in the performance of their duties.

6. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces has been directed to prepare and forward technical instructions and circulars appropriate to the discharge of historical duties. He has also been directed to submit subsequent proposals for changes in Manning Tables involving Historical Officers to conform to changes in structure, personnel, and activities of the several Air Forces.

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PROPOSED DIRECTIVE TO COMMANDING GENERAL, A.A.F.

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2. That proper directives be issued to the commanders concerned directing their attention to the present unsatisfactory compliance with AR 345-105 and informing them that trained Historical

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

GEORGE E. STRATEMEYER,
Major General, U.S.A.,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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3. It is directed that the Historical Officers so assigned will be given facilities and assistance necessary in the performance of their duties.

4. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces has been directed to prepare and forward technical instructions and circulars appropriate to the discharge of historical duties. He has also been directed to submit subsequent proposals for changes in Manning Tables involving Historical Officers to conform to changes in structure, personnel, and activities of the several Air Forces.

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PROPOSED DIRECTIVE TO COMMANDING GENERAL, A.A.F.

1. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces is directed to prepare and distribute to all Air Forces technical instructions and appropriate circulars relative to the discharge of provisions in AR 345-105 as amended 9 March, 1945.

2. He is also directed to submit proposals for changes in Manning Tables involving Historical Officers to conform to changes in structure, personnel, and activities of the several Air Forces.

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SUBJECT: Establishment of Historical Officers in Army Air Forces.

TO: Chief of Air Staff ~~(through AC/AS, O.C.Nr)~~ DATE 10 JUL 1943

FROM: AC/AS, Intelligence COMMENT NO. 1
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It is requested that in conformance with the attached approval of General Arnold that the attached memorandum for the Chief of Staff be approved and dispatched.

EDGAR P. SORENSEN
Brig. Gen., U. S. Army
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, Army Airways Communications System Wing, Flight Control Command be redesignated Hq & Hq Sq, Army Airways Communications System Wing, relieved from its present assignment and reassigned, without change in authorized strength or station, to the Headquarters, Army Air Forces, under the immediate supervision and jurisdiction of the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements.

II. That the following units be relieved from their present assignments and re-assigned, without change in authorized strength or station, to the Army Airways Communications System Wing:

Northwest Airways Communication Area Headquarters
Pacific Airways Communication Area Headquarters
Africana Airways Communication Area Headquarters
Caribbean Airways Communication Area Headquarters
Northeast Airways Communication Area Headquarters
1st Airways Communication Squadron
2nd Airways Communication Squadron
3rd Airways Communication Squadron
4th Airways Communication Squadron
5th Airways Communication Squadron
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III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
CINC, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, United States Army Forces in India
Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command
CINC, United States Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding Officer, Greenland Base Command
Commanding General, United States Army Forces in the Middle East
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
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Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Redesignation and Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the ACAS, Operations, Commitments and Requirements to the ACAS, OC&R, Allocations and Programs Division, Theater Branch by M&R, subject "Redesignation and Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units, dated 12 July 1943. The reassignments are necessary to permit continued operations pending final actions in accordance with War Department Memorandum No. W95-15-43, dated 22 June 1943, subject, Responsibilities of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of the 33rd Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 33rd Fighter Control Squadron be redesignated as the 33rd Fighter Control Squadron (Special) and reorganized by the Commanding General, First Air Force, effective 10 July 1943, without change of station or assignment, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, dated 11 May 1942, as indicated:

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1 Basic (Cols 7 to 15, inclusive), less 13 CWS Mech from line 49, column 11, and less 16 CWS Mech from line 49, column 12	24	193
1 Control Team (Column 17)	3	0
1 D/F Team (Column 18)	0	10
3 G.C.I. Control Teams (Column 19)	6	12
7 Mess Teams (Column 20)	0	14
7 Radio Link Teams (Column 21)	0	21

1. In addition to the teams shown above under Table of Organization 1-47, the following personnel is authorized:

20 HF Radio Teams, each consisting of —

1 - Sergeant	- Radio Mechanic SSN 194
1 - Staff Sergeant	- Radio Oper SSN 776
2 - Corporals	- Radio Oper SSN 776

1 Cryptographic Team, as follows —

1 - 2nd Lieutenant	- Cryptographic Officer
2 - Sergeants	- Code Clerks SSN 806
2 - Corporals	- Code Clerks SSN 806
3 - Privates, First Class	- Code Clerks SSN 806
2 - Privates	- Code Clerks SSN 806

2. Total authorized strength will be thirty-four (34) officers and three hundred thirty-nine (339) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. Additional personnel required will be furnished from sources under the

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control of the Commanding General, First Air Force. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 (Personnel Status Report).

4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Equipment 1-47, dated 11 May 1943, with the following exceptions:

In Section 8, Signal Equipment, delete all authorizations of the following items:

SCR-299
SCR-188
SCR-272
SCR-273
SCR-274
SCR-275
SCR-284
FL-75

In lieu of the above, substitute the following items:

6 SCR-299
8 SCR-188
14 UPX FM Link Sets, Model 1498, with antennas, crystals, etc.
4 SCR-291 or equivalent
19 FL-75
6 Radio Receivers, Hammarlund, HQ-120 or equivalent
2 15 KW Diesel Power Units
1 Kit Plotting Equipment

5. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be A-2.

6. The Station Commander charged with reorganization of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander and The Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

7. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, First Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, New York
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated 8 July 1943 from Air Defense Branch, subject "Shipment of Fighter Control Squadron". The Commanding General, Fifth Air Force has stated in recent radiograms that it is not considered advisable to convert Fighter aircraft in that area to VHF fighter control, and has requested that Fighter Control Squadrons being shipped to that theater be organized and equipped for HF operations. The 57th Fighter Control Squadron was placed on movement orders for the South-west Pacific Area, but inasmuch as it is trained for VHF operations only, it is being deleted and the 33rd Fighter Control Squadron substituted for it. This latter unit has had previous HF training and can be made available to the Fifth Air Force in approximately thirty days in line with the require-ments outlined above. Therefore, it is being reorganized and equipped for HF operations, and will be placed on movement orders for shipment on or about 10 August 1943. This action represents an increase of eight officers and thirty-three enlisted men, and will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. The enlisted grades on the HF radio teams and the cryptographic teams were concurred in by AGAS, Personnel (Captain Gunnell). This memorandum is classified SECRET because of Memorandum for Record, but publication will be RESTRICTED.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Reorganization, Reassignment, Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 106th Reconnaissance Squadron (Bombardment) be relieved from assignment to the 68th Reconnaissance Group. This unit will remain assigned to the Third Air Force for preparation for functional duty.

II. That letter AG 320.2 (4-1-43) OR-I-AFPU-M, subject as above, dated 2 April 1943 be amended to authorize the following units to be equipped under a special list of equipment to be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (ACAS, OC&R):

Hq. 71st Reconnaissance Group
82nd Reconnaissance Squadron (Fighter)
110th Reconnaissance Squadron (Fighter)
17th Reconnaissance Squadron (Bombardment)
28th Liaison Squadron

106th Reconnaissance Squadron (Bombardment)

1. The ACAS, OC&R will prepare a special list of equipment (2 copies only) for submission to the ACAS, M&SD for processing.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Signed
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action requested by Captain Wilson, Air Support Branch, Requirements Division, OC&R, and is necessary to prepare these units for functional duty. This action involves no change in authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

9 JUL 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Radar Calibration Detachments.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 8th and 12th Radar Calibration Detachments be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Mitchel Field, New York, on 20 July 1943.

2. These units will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-727, 12 May 1943, with an authorized strength of ten (10) officers and twenty-nine (29) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. Cadres, fillers, and replacements will be furnished by the First Air Force. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Date to Reach (See 25% Strength	Incl #1)	Date to Reach (See 50% Strength	Incl #1)	Date to Reach 100% Strength
20 August, 1943		20 September, 1943		13 October, 1943

5. Paragraph 2 of AAF Memo #35-1, dated 13 June 1942, Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men Aircraft Warning School Graduates" will apply.

6. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment 1-727 now being processed by the War Department. Pending the publication of Table of Organization and Equipment 1-727 and appropriate expendable circulars, the equipment listed in Inclosure #2 hereto, is authorized for issue to each of these detachments in the quantities indicated. These units will have an A-6 Priority Rating for controlled items of equipment.

7. The Station Commander charged with activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the dates of activation.

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7. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, First Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attn: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated 26 June 1942, as amended.

9. Technical Order 00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, New York
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
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Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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#2 - Tentative List of Equipment (Not available)

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated 2 July 1943 from Air Defense Branch, Requirements Division, Subject: "Activation of AAF Radar Calibration Detachments for Continental U.S.". The Chief of Air Staff has approved the activation of twelve radar calibration detachments which will be used to insure correct calibration of radar equipment now in operation, both within the U.S. and overseas. The ratio of Detachments to radar stations will be one per ten stations. These Detachments will be attached or assigned to Fighter Commands operating a radar system and are designed to calibrate all stations of any particular Fighter Command within a reasonable length of time. The 1st Radar Calibration Detachment was activated on 20 April 1943 and is now operating within the I Fighter Command. After being trained by the First Air Force, the 8th Radar Calibration Detachment will be assigned to the IV Fighter Command and the 12th will be assigned initially to the Third Air Force, but will be available for overseas shipment when such a unit is placed on the six-months list. A proposal is now in OPD requesting approval of activation of eleven radar calibration detachments which includes the 8th and 12th. It is anticipated that the remaining such detachments will all be required for service outside the continental United States. The authorized strength of the I and IV Fighter Commands has already been reduced by eight officers and twenty-three (23) enlisted men by deletion of Columns 23 and 38 from T/O 1-58-1S, dated 22 February 1943. See Change 1 dated 25 June 1943. The station of activation was coordinated by Air Defense Branch with the I Fighter Command and the First Air Force. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This Memorandum is classified SECRET because of this memorandum for record but publication should be RESTRICTED.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE - AAF RADAR CALIBRATION DETACHMENT

	Personnel Required for Unit MOS Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit MOS Manned
OFFICERS		
Major - Detachment Commanding Officer	1	
Captain		
Calibration Officer (0110)	1	
Pilot		1
First Lieutenant		
Coordination Officer (0110)	1	
Navigator		1
Operations and Engineering Officer		1
Total commissioned	3	3
ENLISTED MEN		
Master Sergeant		
Airplane crew chief (760)		1
Technical Sergeant		
Radar repairman, reporting equipment (983)	1	
Staff Sergeant		
Army Air Forces radio operator -- mechanic-gunnery (787)	1	1
Radar repairman, reporting equipment (983)		1
Sergeant		
Armament chief (663)	1	
Army Air Forces radio operator and mechanic (756) --	1	
Draftsman, topographic (078)	1	
Geodetic computer (345)		1
Radio mechanic F (852)	1	
Surveyor, topographic (220)		1
Corporal		
Army Air Forces radio operator and mechanic (756)		1
Radar operator, designated set (514)	1	
Total enlisted	7	7
Aggregate	10	10

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 8 JUL 1943

Subject: Announcement of the Assignment of the 1690th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company (Aviation) (Q).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That announcement be made of the assignment of the 1690th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company (Aviation) (Q) to the 3rd Air Depot Group. All orders in conflict with this assignment are hereby rescinded.

1. The 1690th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company (Aviation) (Q) will not be reorganized or redesignated under the provisions of letter AG 320.2 (3-31-43) OR-L-AFRPG-M, dated April 22, 1943, Subject: "Redesignation, Reorganization and Disbandment of Certain Ordnance Units with the Army Air Forces".

2. Confirmation of this assignment will be reported by radio to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in China-India-Burma be informed by radio of action taken.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-India-Burma
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
FRED C. MILNER,
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on letter from the Hqs., Tenth Air Force, U.S. Army, dated 8 June 1943, New Delhi, India, Subject: "Reorganization of Ordnance MM Companies (Avn) (Q) with Tenth Air Force", and is necessary to clarify the status of the 1690th Ord MM Co (Avn) (Q) in connection with letter AG 320.2 (3-31-43) OB-I-AFRPC-M, dated 22 April 1943, Subject: "Redesignation, Reorganization and Disbandment of Certain Ordnance Units with the Army Air Forces". This action involves no change in authorized strength of the AAF. This action is also in accordance with Radio AQUILA W 1027 UHN, 20 June 1943, from New Delhi to Commanding General, Army Air Forces. This action has been concurred in informally by OPD - WDGS (Col. Hobson) who states that formal concurrence of OPD is not necessary.

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7 JUL 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Augmentation of the 325th Bombardment Squadron (Hv).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 325th Bombardment Squadron (Hv) be augmented by the addition of Column 34 from Table of Organization 1-117 dated 26 March 1943. This action increases the total authorized strength of this unit by thirteen enlisted men.

1. Specific authorization of enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of increase will be reported by radiogram to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Adjutant General's Office) and The Adjutant General.

II. That the Commanding General, European Theater of Operations be notified of this action by secret radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:
Signed
JOHN M. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Augmentation of the 328th Bombardment Squadron (Hv).

30 June 1943 from London. See reply dated 2 July 1943 by the Theater Branch advising that the augmentation is being authorized. The table of organization provides that this personnel is to be added when a Bombardment Squadron (Hv) is equipped with radio "Y" equipment and also provides for one officer in addition to the thirteen enlisted men. However, the officer appears in a separate column in the table of organization and was not requested by the theater commander. This action has been concurred in informally by Colonel Browne of OPD and the paper is being routed through G-4, G-1, and G-3 prior to OPD in accordance with his request. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reassignment and Augmentation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be reassigned to the 58th Bombardment Operational Training Wing (H) without change of station:

Hq. 40th Bombardment Group (Hv)(B-29)
384th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)(B-29)
444th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)(B-29)
45th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)(B-29)
396th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)(B-29)

II. That the Hq & Hq Sq, 58th Bombardment Operational Training Wing (H) be augmented by a Statistical Section which will be organized in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table 1-234.

1. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Twenty copies of the orders issued by the Commanding Officer, 58th Operational Training Wing (H) pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

3. The Station Commander charged with reassignment and reorganization of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the dates of actions.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding Officer, 58th Bombardment Operational Training Wing (H)
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Commanding General, Cobb County Army Air Field, Marietta, Georgia
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
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Subject: Reassignment and Augmentation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: The reassignment is in accordance with verbal request of Major Moss of Requirements Division, Bombardment Branch on 3 July 1943, and is in line with the established A-29 program. The increase in the 58th Bombardment Operational Training Wing (Hv) is in accordance with directive from the Deputy Chief of Air Staff in [illegible] dated 28 June 1943, subject "Statistical Unit for the 58th Bombardment Wing".

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Statistical Section
HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON
58th OPERATIONAL TRAINING WING

Statistical officers	4	
Major		(1)
First lieutenant		(3)
Total commissioned	4	
Administrative and technical clerks (501)	4	
Staff sergeant		(1)
Sergeant		(1)
Private, first class		(1)
Private		(1)
Total enlisted	4	
Aggregate	8	

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the Hq & Hq Sq, Fourteenth Air Force.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, Fourteenth Air Force be reorganized at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization 1-301-1, dated 1 July 1942 (Less Columns 26, 30 and 31).

1. Total authorized strength of the reorganized unit will be 94 officers, 7 warrant officers and 281 enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General's Office) and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action: Commanding General,
U.S. Army Forces in China, Burma and India
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
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Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in Message from Chungking CM-IN 1169 dated 2 July 1943 and in R&R dated 3 July 1943 from Requirements Division, subject as above advising of General Stratemeyer's approval of this request. The reorganization results in an increase of 40 off., 4 w.o. and 51 e.m. Informal concurrence has been obtained from Colonel Caldwell of GPD. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reassignment, Reorganization, Redesignation and Disbandment of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 659th and 669th Signal Aircraft Warning Siting and Testing Companies be relieved from their present assignments and reassigned to the control and jurisdiction of the Commanding General, Western Defense Command.

II. That the following unit be reorganized, effective as of 20 July 1943, by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command in accordance with Table of Organization 11-400, 1 July 1942, with an authorized strength of eight (8) officers, three (3) warrant officers and one hundred sixty-one (161) enlisted men, including six (6) enlisted men, attached medical, with Team composition as follows:

669th Signal Aircraft Warning Siting and Testing Company	- Team	B	C	T
	Quantity	1	3	3

and that, concurrently with the completion of this reorganization, this unit be redesignated as follows:

Present Designation	New Designation
669th Signal Aircraft Warning Siting and Testing Company	669th Signal Aircraft Warning Company

1. Concurrently with this reorganization and redesignation, the 659th Signal Aircraft Warning Siting and Testing Company will be disbanded, and all personnel and equipment thereof transferred to the 669th Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

2. These actions will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

3. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

4. Personnel necessary to accomplish this reorganization will be furnished by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command. Personnel replacement will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Form 128.

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5. Excess personnel resulting from these actions will be absorbed in other units under the control of the Commanding General, Western Defense Command.

6. Paragraph 2 of Army Air Forces Memorandum 35-1, 15 June 1942, subject "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", will apply.

7. The Reporting platoons (Teams C) will be of the fixed type; hence note "p", Table of Organization 11-600, 1 July 1940, and footnote (*) on Page 12, Table of Basic Allowances 11-8, 15 September 1942, will apply.

8. The reorganized unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances 11-8, 15 September 1942, plus such additional items as specified by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements, Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch).

9. Equipment over and above Table of Basic Allowances 11-8, 15 Sept. 1942, will be returned to the proper Chiefs of Arms and Services for re-issue to other units.

10. a. Each of the three (3) Reporting Platoons will be trained to operate and maintain a TAW (radar set), and they will be fully equipped and prepared for functional duty on the dates indicated:

1 Reporting Platoon (1 Team C, 1 Team S) — 1 August 1943
1 Reporting Platoon (1 Team C, 1 Team S) — 15 August 1943
1 Reporting Platoon (1 Team C, 1 Team S) — 1 September 1943

b. The Company Headquarters (1 Team S) will be disposed of in accordance with instructions issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces when its requirement for training TAW Reporting Platoons ceases to exist.

11. Twenty copies of the reassignment, reorganization, redesignation, and disbandment order issued by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to officers of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

12. Confirmation of reassignment, reorganization, redesignation and disbandment will be reported without delay to the Service Commander concerned, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General by letter.

13. Technical Order OCM-35-3A will be complied with immediately.

14. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #208, 26 June 1942, as amended.

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III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Calif.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Bulkeli)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

CONCURRENCES:

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Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from ACAS, G-2 (Air Defense Branch) by DAR, subject "Reorganization and Disbandment of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Units", dated 29 June 1943, and is necessary to provide a means of training the number of TAU Reporting Platoons in the minimum time with the TAU equipment now available in order to meet the TAU program approved by the War Department General Staff by a secret disposition form, file OPD 413.68 (8-26-42), subject "Revision of Requirements for British Type GR and TAU Radar Stations," dated 11 June 1943, with one inclosure (Memorandum for Assistant Chief of Staff, Operations Division from Headquarters, Army Air Forces, dated 26 May 1942, same subject, with inclosures as listed). This reorganization is within the allotment of officer and enlisted personnel for Signal Aircraft Warning Units with the Army Air Forces. This action will result in an increase in authorized strength of four (4) officers, one (1) warrant officer and eighty-nine (89) enlisted men for the reorganized units. However, this increase in authorized strength will be partially provided for by availability of four (4) officers, two (2) warrant officers and seventy-two (72) enlisted men from the disbanded unit. This paper is classified SECRET because of the Memorandum for Record. Published letter should be classified RESTRICTED.

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Authorization of Tables of Organization.

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1. Reference is made to Inclosure A, basic communication from Headquarters, Fourth Air Force, file 320.2 AAF/W/41, dated 14 June, 1943, subject as above, with 1st Indorsement by Headquarters, Western Defense Command and Fourth Army, with two inclosures as listed.

X 2. Also attached are copies of letter AG 320.2 (1-9-43) OB-L-AFDPU-M, subject, Reorganization of Certain Units of the Army Air Forces, dated February 13, 1943 (Inclosure B), letter AG 221 (3-19-43) PE-A-M-C, subject, Allotments of Grades and Authorized Strengths to Tactical Units, dated March 6, 1943 (Inclosure C), and War Department 1st Indorsement AG 322 (5-8-43) OB-I-E, subject, Reorganization of Troop Carrier Squadrons in Alaska Defense Command, dated June 2, 1943 (Inclosure D).

3. With respect to Air Corps and ASWAAF units under control of Defense Commands or the War Department, this Headquarters has interpreted cited letter of March 6, 1943, (Inclosure C) as follows:

a. No unit may be reorganized under a Table of Organization dated later than March 6, 1943, without prior approval of the War Department.

b. Changes to Tables of Organization as well as new Tables of Organization are subject to the restrictions outlined in such letter.

4. Basic communication, as well as Inclosure D, indicates views by the War Department at variance with the interpretation set forth in the preceding paragraph. Also, informal discussion of this matter by Lt. Col. Morgan of this Headquarters with two of the Theatre Branches of the Operations Division shows further diversity of opinion with regard to this question. The Central Pacific Theatre (Lt. Col. Eakhart) is of the view that changes to Tables of Organization are automatically authorized to units affected, but that reorganization under a new Table of Organization is permitted only upon authority of the War Department, such authority to be granted by radio or by indorsement to letter request, without publication by the Adjutant General of a letter permitting such reorganization. The India-China Theatre (Colonel Hobson) is of the opinion that all such authorizations, both

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for new Tables of Organization and for changes in Tables of Organization, should be formalized by letter authority from the Adjutant General.

5. It is believed that confusion on this issue will be minimized if letter authority of the Adjutant General is required as a prerequisite to reorganization of units under control of Defense Commands or the War Department, whether in connection with new Tables of Organization, or in connection with changes in existing Tables of Organization.

6. As a basis for reply to basic communication, and for the clarification of this matter, a specific directive is requested with regard to War Department policy applicable in cases of reorganization of units under control of Defense Commands or the War Department, such directive to cover:

a. Method of authorizing reorganization under new Tables of Organization; that is, whether publication of a new Table of Organization will automatically authorize such reorganization, or whether the authorization shall be conferred by letter of The Adjutant General, by Radio, or by some other method.

b. Method of authorizing reorganization in connection with changes to existing Tables of Organization; that is, whether the method is to be the same as in cases involving new Tables of Organization.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. [illegible],
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reorganization and Augmentation of Certain Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be reorganized by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, with augmentations as indicated below:

UNIT	PRESENT AUTH. STRENGTH OFF.	EM.	AUGMENTATIONS OFF.	EM.	TOTAL STRENGTH OFF.	EM.
6th Antisubmarine Sq	66	335	--	14	66	349
19th Antisubmarine Sq	66	335	--	14	66	349

1. This augmentation will be accomplished by addition of 1 x Column 20 and by deletion of 1/3 x Line 18 of Column 12, 13, and 14 of Table of Organization 1-117 dated July 1, 1942.

2. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, will furnish fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishments will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of Army Air Forces Forms #127 and #128 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, will notify The Adjutant General by letter when reorganization has been completed.

4. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command

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Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Muldell)
Technical Services Division, Baltimore Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R dated 5 June 43, subj: "Allotments of Grades and Ratings" to Requirements Division from AFRPG, and letter from Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command dated 5 May 43, same subject. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL: 4 JUL 1943

Subject: Reorganization and Augmentation of Certain Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be reorganized by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, with augmentations as indicated below:

UNIT	PRESENT AUTH. STRENGTH OFF.	EM.	AUGMENTATIONS OFF.	EM.	TOTAL STRENGTH OFF.	EM.
1st Antisubmarine Sq	66	335	--	14	66	349
2nd Antisubmarine Sq	66	335	--	14	66	349

1. This augmentation will be accomplished by addition of 1 x Column 20 and by deletion of 1/3 x Line 18 of Column 12, 13 and 14 of Table of Organization 1-117 dated 1 July 1942.

2. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, will furnish fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishments will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of Army Air Forces Form #127 and #128 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, will notify The Adjutant General by letter when reorganization has been completed.

4. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich.
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Memo for TAG, Subj: "Reorganization and Augmentation of Certain Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Units".

Corps of Engineers, (Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R dated 5 June 43, subj: "Allotments of Grades and Ratings" to Requirements Division from AFRPA, and letter from Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command dated 5 May 43, same subject. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 8 JUL 1943

Subject: Augmentation of the 692nd Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 692nd Signal Aircraft Warning Company be augmented by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in South Atlantic by the addition of one (1) Team B, Table of Organization #11-400, 1 July 1942, without change of station or assignment, increasing the authorized strength of the unit to nine (9) officers, two (2) warrant officers and one hundred forty-three (143) enlisted men, including four (4) enlisted men, attached medical, with Team composition as follows:

Team	B	C	E	J	S
Quantity	1	2	1	1	2

1. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces will provide, on or about 1 August 1943, one (1) plotting platoon, Team B, Table of Organization #11-400, 1 July 1942.

2. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

3. This action will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, 15 September 1942, with modification, if any, as authorized by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements, Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch).

5. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, United States Army Forces in South Atlantic to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General confirming this augmentation.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, United States Army Forces in South Atlantic
Commanding Officer, United States Army Forces in Ascension Islands
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance

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Detroit, Michigan ([redacted])
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. G. Riddell)
Technical Services Division, Baltimore Quartermaster
Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCE:

CPD, MDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with recommendation by [redacted], Comment #2, ACAS, OCAR, (Air Defense Branch), Subject: "Plotting Board Teams (692nd Signal Aircraft Warning Company)", dated 24 June 1943, based on approval by Hq, USAFBA, by 3rd Ind., 7 June 1943, of Ltr. C.O., 692nd Sig AW Co, Subject: "Plotting Board Teams", dated 21 May 1943. This augmentation will not exceed the Aircraft Warning Service Troop Unit Basis, but will result in an increase in authorized strength of three (3) officers and twenty-three (23) enlisted men for this unit.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following Army Air Forces Units stationed at Eglin Field, Florida, be disbanded, effective as of 10 July 1943:

1st Minimum Altitude Bomber--Torpedo Unit (Medium)

2d Minimum Altitude Bomber--Fighter Unit (Twin Engine)

1. Personnel and equipment from these disbanded units will be absorbed in other units under control of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command.

2. Twenty (20) copies of the disbandment order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

3. The Station Commander charged with the disbandment of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General of the dates of disbandment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:
Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request by [illegible], AGAS, OCAR, Allocations Branch, dated 27 April 1943, Subject: "Disbandment of Certain AAF Units", based on instructions received from the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements. Action has been initiated to effect the reassignment of all personnel presently assigned to these units.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment of Certain Airdrome Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be disbanded effective 1 July 1943 by the Commanding General, Second Air Force:

67th Airdrome Squadron
94th Airdrome Squadron
95th Airdrome Squadron
96th Airdrome Squadron
99th Airdrome Squadron

1. Personnel will not be absorbed in other units under the control of the Commanding General, Second Air Force, but will be reported immediately to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition.

2. Excess equipment resulting from these disbandments will be returned to proper Chief of Supply Service for disposition.

II. That the Commanding General, Second Air Force be notified of this action by radio giving file designation of published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Disbandment of Certain Airdrome Squadrons.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the ACAS, O&R, Theatre Branch by R&R, subject "Disbandment of Certain Airdrome Squadrons", dated 30 June 1943 and is necessary since -- these Airdrome Squadrons are at present on movement orders but unsatisfactory status reports have been submitted to the War Department on them. Inasmuch as it is imperative that this personnel be shipped to the theatre in order to augment a special project and further that the original intent has been to disband the subject units upon their arrival in the theatre, the action herein is deemed expedient. This action has been coordinated with ACAS, Personnel (Major Goetz) and has been concurred in informally by Colonel Wood of OPD, who stated formal concurrence is not necessary. This paper is SECRET due to this memorandum for record but publication should be classified RESTRICTED.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

30 JUN 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 25th Airways Communications Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 322 (17 June 43) OR-I-AFEPG-M, subject as above, dated 26 June 1943 be amended by adding the following stations to the organization of this unit:

Communications	
Type D	34
Type E	7
Cryptography	
Message Center	9

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was necessary to correct error in published activation order and involves no change in authorized strength of this unit.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 30 JUN 1943

Subject: Reorganization of the 581st Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 581st Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion be reorganized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, effective as of 10 July 1943, in accordance with Table of Organization #11-400, 1 July 1942, with teams as indicated on the attached inclosure, without change of station or assignment.

2. The reorganized unit will have an authorized strength of thirty-seven (37) officers ten (10) warrant officers and six hundred thirty-four (634) enlisted men, including four (4) officers and thirty-eight (38) enlisted men, attached medical.

3. Excess personnel and equipment resulting from this reorganization will be absorbed in other units under the control of the Commanding General, Third Air Force.

4. This action will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

5. Fillor personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

6. Paragraph 2 of AAF Memorandum #35-1, 15 June 1942, Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", will apply.

7. The reorganized unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-8, 15 September 1942, to operate eight (8) Radio Sets SCR-270. Additional items of equipment, if any, will be specified by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements, Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch).

7. Reporting platoons will be of the fixed type. See note "p" Table of Organization #11-400, 1 July 1942, and note (e) Page 12, Table of Basic Allowances #11-8, 15 September 1942.

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8. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

9. The Station Commander charged with the reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

10. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #208, dated 26 June 1943.

11. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
C. Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Tuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from AGAS, OCAB, (Air Defense Branch) by 2AR, Subject: "Reorganization of the 804st Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion", dated 23 June 1943, based on radiogram #413 from New Caledonia, dated 25 May 1943, in which the Commanding General, South Pacific Area requested a Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion organized as indicated herein, and reply thereto. The 804th Signal Aircraft Warning was recently reorganized to fill this

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requirement, but status of training of personnel will not permit the battalion to meet the scheduled readiness date. Separate action is being initiated to place the 561st Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion on the 'Six Months' List'. This action will not exceed the current Aircraft Warning Service Troop Unit Basis, and will result in a decrease in authorized strength of thirteen (13) officers, seven (7) warrant officers and five hundred one (501) enlisted men for this unit. This paper is classified 'Secret' because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified 'Restricted'.

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[redacted] ORGANIZATION, 553rd AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALION

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UNIT	ORGANIZATION T/O 11-400, July 1, 1942 Team and Quantity	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH Off.	E.M.	ATTACHED MEDICAL (included in col. 3) Off.	E.M.	OPERATION ASSIGNMENT
2 Hq & Hq Co	A 1	7	24			
3 Tow Rptg Gun (each)	RCEFBIIFPRS 14131141214	15	4	300	2	19	Administration and Supply 4 SCR-270's and Plotting
4 Total Battalion		37	10	624	4	38	

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL: 30 JUN 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to and activated by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, for further assignment to the 3rd Engineer Aviation Unit Training Center with station at Harding Field, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, effective as of 5 July 1943:

UNIT	PRIORITY RATING
2020th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2021st Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2022nd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2023rd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2024th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2025th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2026th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2027th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2028th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2029th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-2c
2030th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2031st Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2032nd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2033rd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2034th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2035th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2036th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2037th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2038th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2039th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2040th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2041st Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2042nd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2043rd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2044th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2045th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2046th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a

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UNIT	PRIORITY RATING
2047th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2048th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2049th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4a
2050th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2051st Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2052nd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2053rd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2054th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2055th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2056th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2057th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2058th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2059th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2060th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2061st Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2062nd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2063rd Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2064th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2065th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2066th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2067th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2068th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b
2069th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Platoon	A-4b

1. Table of Organization 5-337 dated 12 May 1943 will be used as a guide in the organization of these units, which will have an authorized strength of one (1) officer and twenty-eight (28) enlisted men. Equipment for these units will be in accordance with Table of Equipment 5-337 dated 12 May 1943. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, Third Air Force, will supply cadre, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #126 (Personnel Status Report).

3. The 2020th through the 2029th Engr Aviation Fire Fighting Platoons will be prepared for functional duty by 1 September 1943; the 2030th through the 2049th by 1 October 1943, and the 2050th through the 2069th by 15 November 1943.

4. The 2020th through the 2029th Engr Aviation Fire Fighting Platoons are to be prepared for entry in the ASF Fire Suppression School, Camp Pontchartrain, Louisiana on 11 July 1943. The 2030th through the 2049th will enter the school on 22 August and the 2050th through the 2069th on 3 October 1943. Only personnel having completed basic training will attend this school.

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5. The Station Commander charged with the activation of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Chief of Engineers, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General of the date of activation.

6.. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

7. Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated 26 June 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Fla.
Commanding Officer, Third Engineer Aviation Unit Training Center
Commanding Officer, AAF Fire Suppression School, Camp Pontchartrain, La.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers, (Col. H. C. Muldoll)
Technical Services Division, Baltimore Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Memo for TAG, subj: "Constitution & Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation Units with the AAF."

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R from Office of the Air Engineer dated 25 June 1943, subject as above, and is necessary to fulfill quota for a foreign theater. This Memorandum marked "Secret" because of Memorandum for Record but published directive should be "Restricted". This action is not in addition to the present Army Air Forces Program but will be accomplished by deletion of the necessary Engineer personnel from the present allotments of Engineer Aviation personnel in the Army Air Forces Program. Personnel for these actions will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. The proposed action has been coordinated by the Office of the Air Engineer with the Third Air Force (Col. E. H. Walter, Air Forces Engineer).

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27 JUL 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Establishment, Reassignment, Constitution, Activation and Reorganization of Certain Weather and Communications Activities.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the portion of Paragraph 2 of letter AG 322 (28 Jun 43) OB-1-AFPG-M, subject as above, dated 28 June 1943 which defines the boundaries of the 9th Airways Communications Region and the 9th Weather Region be amended by changing the meridian from 80° to 80°, so as to read "79° W and 80° 30' W".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request in RAR dated 12 July 1943 from Communications Branch, AC/AS, OCAR, Requirements Division, subject "Establishment, Reassignment, Constitution, Activation and Reorganization of Certain Weather and Communications Activities", and is necessary to correct error in the original letter.

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28 June 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation, Reassignment, Reorganization and Re-Establishment of Certain Weather and Communications Activities.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the boundaries of certain Weather and Airways Communications Regions be as indicated below, effective 1 July 1943:

6th Airways Communications Region.
6th Weather Region.
"That area within the boundaries of the Panama Sector as now or hereafter established."

9th Airways Communications Region.
9th Weather Region.
"That area within the boundaries of the Antilles Department (Puerto Rican and Trinidad Sectors) as now or hereafter established, plus that area bounded by parallels 23° N and 27° N and by meridians 79° W and 80° 30' W."

12th Airways Communications Region.
22nd Weather Region.
"That area within the boundaries of the USAFSA as now or hereafter established."

II. That the assignments of certain units in connection with action in Paragraph I be as follows:

Unit	Assignment
6th Airways Communication Squadron	Panama Canal Department
6th Weather Squadron	Panama Canal Department
9th Airways Communication Squadron	Air Transport Command
9th Weather Squadron	Air Transport Command
12th Airways Communication Squadron (This is not a change in assignment)	Flight Control Command
22nd Weather Squadron (effective upon activation)	Air Transport Command

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III. That the 22nd Weather Squadron be constituted, assigned to and activated, effective as of 1 July 1943, by the Air Transport Command, with Headquarters at Natal, Brazil. This unit will operate within the boundaries of the 22nd Weather Region. Organization will be in accordance with Table of Organization 1-627, 14 June 1943, to operate stations as follows:

Number	Type
1	Squadron Headquarters
8	A
2	C
16	D
8	E
5	G
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1. Total authorized strength will be thirty (30) officers, seven (7) warrant officers, and two hundred twenty-three (223) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. Personnel of the 9th Weather Squadron now on duty in the newly established 22nd Weather Region will be transferred to the 22nd Weather Squadron. Additional personnel required will be secured in the normal manner by submission of the AAF 139.

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General's Office) and The Adjutant General giving the date of activation.

4. This unit will have an A-2 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

IV. That the following units be reorganized, effective as of 1 July 1943, by the commanders concerned, as follows:

Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength Off.	W.O.	E.M.
8th Weather Squadron	1-627, 14 June 1943	60	9	881

Type Stations	*Sq Hq	A	B	C	D	O	E	G	T
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Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength Off.	W.O.	E.M.
9th Weather Squadron	1-837, 14 June 1943	86	17	525

Type Stations: *Sq Hq 1; A 15; B 1; C 8; D 37; G 24; H 6; I 5; K 1

* Morrison Field, West Palm Beach, Florida

Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength Off.	W.O.	E.M.
3rd Airways Communication Squadron	1-447, 29 May 1943	100	1	929

Class Stations: Hi Hq 1; Sq Hq 1; A 14; B 9; C 68; K 3

Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength Off.	W.O.	E.M.
8th Airways Communication Squadron	1-447, 29 May 1943	80	1	437

Class Stations: Hi Hq 1; Sq Hq 1; A 8; B 10; C 1; K 10; Cryptographic Section I 2, II 4

Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength Off.	W.O.	E.M.
9th Airways Communication Squadron	1-447, 29 May 1943	97	1	636

Class Stations: HC Hq 1; Sq Hq 1; A 10; B 13; C 1; K 9; Cryptographic Section I 9, II 10

Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength Off.	W.O.	E.M.
12th Airways Communication Squadron	1-447, 29 May 1943	77	1	622

Class Stations: AC Hq 1; Sq Hq 1; A 8; B 6; C 3; K 20; Cryptographic Section I 4, II 9, Message Ctr 9

1. Necessary personnel transfers between units to conform to newly established boundaries will be accomplished.

2. Additional personnel required will be secured in the normal manner by submission of appropriate AAF 129's, AAF Forms 129 and 138.

3. Twenty copies of the activation and reorganization orders issued pursuant to this directive by the Commands concerned will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section,

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Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

4. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #306, dated 26 June 1943.

5. Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

By: That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Flight Control Command
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Antilles Department
Commanding General, USAFSA
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Chief of Transportation Corps
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.S. Rudsell)
Technical Services Division, Edgebird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is directed in letter AG 373.3 (10 May 43) OB-L-M, subject "Air Transport Command Operations in the Caribbean-Antilles Area" dated 8 June 1943, and is as recommended in R&R's from ASAS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements, subject "Air Transport Command Operations in the Caribbean-Antilles Area" dated 23 June 1943 and 25 June 1943. Actions will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. The addition of certain areas to the 9th Regions was informally concurred in by OPD, W.D.G.S. (Lt. Colonel King) and is in accordance with letters from the Commanding General, Air Transport Command, same subject as above-mentioned R&R's, dated 23 June 1943 and 25 June 1943.

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FROM: Deputy Chief of Air Staff

COMMENT NO. 2
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1. The Deputy Chief of Air Staff (General Hall) approves your recommendation as stated in paragraph 4, preceding comment.

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1. In compliance with the attached directive, Message #R 146 was dispatched to the Commanding General, European Theater of Operations on 30 June 1943. The reply is contained in Message W 1583 dated 7 July 1943 which agrees that no change should be made in the present designation of the 3rd and 4th Bombardment Wings.

1. OPD , WDGS

2. Request this paper be returned to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Air Adjutant General, for forwarding to Central Files.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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TO: AG/AS, Personnel

FROM: Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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1. The Deputy Chief of Air Staff (General Hall) approves your recommendation as stated in paragraph 4, preceding comment.

2. For necessary action.

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SUBJECT: Redesignation of Certain Headquarters and Headquarters Squadrons, Bombardment Wings. (3rd and 4th Bomb. Wings) DATE: 26 June 1943.

TO:

X CG,AAF

FOR:

XX See notation below.

XX C/S directs:

1. That the redesignation of the 3rd and 4th Bomb Wings be held in abeyance pending further information from the Commanding General, 8th Air Force, and Commanding General, European Theater of Operations.

2. That a secret message be dispatched to Devers for Eaker from Arnold substantially as follows:

"Request reconsideration of the recommendations contained in your W-955 of June 21. It is possible that other Bombardment Wings will be dispatched to your theater and it is more than probable that these wings will bear numerical designations not in sequence. While this may be confusing to some agencies, it is not practical to redesignate units to maintain numerical sequence."

THOS. T. HANDY,
Major General,
Assistant Chief of Staff.

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C. B. FERENBAUGH,
Colonel, General Staff,
Chief European Section,
Theater Group, OPD, GS.

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24 JUN 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Hq and Hq Sq, Bombardment Wings.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation
Hq & Hq Sq, 3rd Bombardment Wing	Hq & Hq Sq, 4th Bombardment Wing (H)
Hq & Hq Sq, 4th Bombardment Wing	Hq & Hq Sq, 3rd Bombardment Wing (Hv)

1. This action will be confirmed by radio to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force (by radio and letter)
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations (by radio and letter)
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.G. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Molabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

CONCURRENCES:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from the Commanding General, Eighth Air Force by radio [illegible], 21 June 1943, and is necessary because the 3rd Bombardment Wing has been trained for medium bombardment and to obviate confusion for the Bomber Command to have the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Wings instead of the 1st, 2nd and 4th. Latter is particularly confusing to Air Ministry.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

24 JUN 1943

Subject: Reorganization of the 768nd Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 768nd Signal Aircraft Warning Company be reorganized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, effective as of 1 July 1943, in accordance with Table of Organization #11-400, 1 July 1942, with the following teams:

Teams	A	C	E	F	H	I	J	M	P	R	S
Quantity	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	6	3	1	1

2. The reorganized unit will have an authorized strength of seventeen (17) officers, five (5) warrant officers and three hundred eighty (380) enlisted men, including two (2) officers and twenty-one (21) enlisted men, attached medical.

3. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

4. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

5. Paragraph 2 of AAF Memorandum #35-1, dated 15 June 1942, Subject: Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates, will apply.

6. The reorganized unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, 15 September 1942, plus the following additional items of Signal Corps Equipment:

6 each Radio Sets SCR-270-B
1 each Portable Filter Center FC-15
6 each Radio Sets SCR-284
1 each Power Unit PE-75
6 each Power Unit PE-193 (Diesel)
1 each Radar Plotters Kit (6Z6863)
6 each Radar Plotters Kit (6Z6619-1,-2,-3,-6,-7)

8. All items of equipment prescribed in Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, 15 September 1942, for Reporting Platoons C equipped with Radio Sets SCR-270-( ) are authorized this unit, including ten (10) each Radio Sets SCR-188-A (two (2) per Reporting Platoon C).

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7. Reporting Platoons 6 of this unit will be of the fixed type. See note "p", Table of Organization #11-600, 1 July 1942, or note (*) on page 12, Table of Basic Allowances #11-8, 15 September 1942.

8. The reorganized unit will be fully equipped and prepared for functional duty on or about 8 August 1943.

9. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

10. The Station Commander charged with the reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

11. Direct communication pertaining to the reorganization of this unit is authorized.

12. Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

13. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated 26 June 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (3 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from AC/AS, OPNR, (Air Defense Branch) by 2Lt, Subject: "Reorganization of the 762nd Signal Aircraft Warning Company", dated 18 June 1943, based on War Department General Staff Memorandum, file OPD 413.66 WDS (6-10-43), Subject: "Assignment of Signal AW Company and Equipment to Amphibious Training Force No. 9", dated 10 June 1943. This reorganization will not exceed the current Aircraft Warning Service Troop Unit Basic, but will result in an increase in authorized strength of eight (8) officers, three (3) warrant officers, and two hundred thirty-three (233) enlisted men for this unit. This paper is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum For Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation and Reassignment of the *Headquarters and Headquarters Company Engineer Aviation Regiment (Special).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That a *Headquarters and Headquarters Company Engineer Aviation Regiment (Special) be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command, with station at Eglin Field, Florida, effective 30 June 1943.

1. This unit will be organized in accordance with Table of Distribution #6-10318, dated 17 June 1943. The authorized strength will be ten (10) officers, one (1) warrant officer and sixty-six (66) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. Cadre, fillers and replacements will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command from units now under his control. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

3. Equipment for this unit will be in accordance with the attached special list. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be A-6d-72.

II. Effective upon activation of the *Headquarters and Headquarters Company Engineer Aviation Regiment (Special), the following units are relieved from their present assignment and reassigned to the activated unit for coordination and supervision of organization and training:

*839th Engineer Avn Battalion
*867th Engineer Avn Battalion
*1882nd Engineer Avn Battalion
*1898th Engineer Avn Battalion

1. Twenty copies of the activation and reassignment order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

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3. The Station Commander charged with the activation and reassignment of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Chief of Engineers, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant General of the activation and reassignment.

4. Technical Order #00-25-5A will be complied with immediately.

5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, 26 June 1942.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Engineers
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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T/D #5-103IS, 17 June 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request in Rpt, dated 12 June 1943, from Air Engineer to Programs Branch, Subject: "Constitution and Activation of Hq and Hq Co Engr Avn Regt (Special)". The proposed action is to release the [illegible]23rd Engineer Avn Regiment (less 5 battalions)

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less Cols. 2, 4 and 7 and Col. 4 of Medical Section of T/O 8-411, 1 April 1942, Ch #1, 31 July 42, Ch #2, 1 August 43 for 1 August 43 shipment to UK to meet the currently set up commitment for that Theatre. This action is to provide the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command an organization to supervise the training of the several engineer aviation battalions assigned to his command. This action has been coordinated with the Office of the Air Engineer and the Proving Ground Technical Executive (Colonel Morse). This is not an addition to the Army Air Forces Program but will be accomplished by deletion of the necessary amount of personnel from the present Engineer Aviation units in the Program. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This paper is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation Fire Fighting Platoons.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the First Air Force with station at Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Connecticut, effective on 1 July 1943:

2000th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2001st Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2002nd Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2003rd Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2004th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2005th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2006th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2007th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2008th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2009th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2010th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2011th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2012th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2013th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2014th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2015th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2016th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2017th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2018th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon
2019th Engineer Avn Fire Fighting Platoon

1. These units will be attached to the 1st Airborne Engineer Aviation U.T.C. for supervision of organization and training.

2. These units will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization #5-337, dated 12 May 1943. The authorized strength will be one (1) officer and twenty-eight (28) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. Cadres, fillers and replacements will be furnished by the First Air Force. Personnel Replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

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4. The 2000th through the 2009th Engineer Aviation Fire Fighting Platoons will be prepared for functional duty by 1 August 1943 and the 2010th through 2019th Engineer Aviation Fire Fighting Platoons will be prepared for functional duty by 1 September 1943.

5. Equipment for these units will be in accordance with Table of Equipment #5-357, dated 12 May 1943. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be A-2.

6. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, First Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

7. The Station Commander charged with the activation of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Chief of Engineers, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the date of activation.

8. Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated 26 June 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, N.Y.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Engineers
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Ruldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request made in EAR, from the Air Engineer to Programs Branch, Subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Aviation Units with the AAF", dated 16 June 1943. This action is necessary to provide units to meet the current setup for commitments for the United Kingdom. This action is not an addition to to the program and will be accomplished by deletion of the necessary Engineer units from the present program to provide the personnel. This action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the AAF. Activation at Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Connecticut, has been coordinated with Major Sigelbaum of the First Air Force and changed from Westover Field at his request. Memo is "Secret" because of Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 690th Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 690th Signal Aircraft Warning Company be reorganized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, effective as of 26 June 1943, without change of station or assignment, in accordance with Table of Organization #11-400, 1 July 1942, with the following teams:

Teams	B	O	S	I	R
Quantity	1	2	1	1	1

2. The reorganized unit will have an authorized strength of eight (8) officers, three (3) warrant officers and one hundred thirty-one (131) enlisted men, including two (2) officers and eleven (11) enlisted men, attached medical.

3. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

4. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

5. Excess personnel and equipment, if any, resulting from this reorganization will be absorbed in other units under the control of the Commanding General, Third Air Force.

6. Paragraph 2 of AAF Memorandum #35-1, dated 13 June 1942, Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", will apply.

7. The reorganized unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, 15 September 1942, to include a total of four (4) each Radio Sets SCR-188-A as prescribed therein for units operating Radio Sets SCR-270-D. Radio Sets SCR-270-D, however, are not authorized as organizational equipment, but will be issued temporarily for training purposes only.

8. Reporting platoons will be of the fixed type. See note "p", Table of Organization #11-400, 1 July 1942, and note (*) on page 12, Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, 15 September 1942.

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8. The reorganized unit will be fully equipped and prepared for functional duty on or about 1 September 1943.

9. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

10. The Station Commander charged with the reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

11. Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

12. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #308, dated 26 June 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. [illegible]
Colonel
Assistant

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from AGAS, OCAR (Air Defense Branch) by R&R, Subject: "Reorganization 690th Signal Aircraft Warning Company", dated 15 June 1943, based on request from Allocations and Programs Division, Theater Branch to Requirements Division Air Defense Branch, by R&R, Subject: "Additional 1943 Requirements for United Kingdom", dated 17 May 1943. This reorganization will not exceed the current Aircraft Warning Service Troop Unit Basis, and will result in a decrease in authorized strength of five (5) officers, one (1) warrant officer and one hundred [redacted] (132) enlisted men for this unit. This paper is classified "Secret" because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 17 JUN 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 14th Airways Communication Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 14th Airways Communication Squadron be constituted, assigned to the Flight Control Command and activated by the Commanding Officer, 10th Airways Communication Squadron at the earliest practicable date with headquarters at Chabua, India.

1. This unit will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-447, dated 29 May 1943 and in addition to regional control headquarters and squadron headquarters, will consist of the following types of stations:

Communications
Type A 9
Type B 31
Type C 2
Type X 65

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2. Total authorized strength will be 143 officers, 8 warrant officers and 1439 enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The boundaries of the region served by the newly activated Squadron will comprise that part of the continent of Asia east of the 92nd meridian and south of the 50th parallel.

4. Cadre will consist of personnel now assigned to the 10th Airways Communication Squadron and stationed at detachments east of the 92nd meridian. Filler personnel, both officer and enlisted, will be supplied by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces without requisition.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with a special list to be prepared by the Commanding Officer, Flight Control Command and submitted to the ACAS, M&SD. Equipment in the special list will be supplied without requisition and shipped to the unit at the station of activation. Priority rating for controlled items of

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equipment will be A-2.

6. The date of activation will be reported by radio to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General's Office) and The Adjutant General without delay.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the Commanding Officer, 10th Airways Communication Squadron be notified of this action by secret radiogram giving the file designation of the published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding Officer, Flight Control Command
Commanding Officer, 10th Airways Communication Squadron
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China, Burma and India
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from ACAS, G2&R dated 15 June 1943, subject "Constitution and Activation of Airways Communication Squadron". The activation of this unit is necessary because of the increased operations particularly by the Air Transport Command which are planned for this area in the immediate future. Although the 10th Airways Communication Squadron now operates in a portion of the region to be served by the new unit, its headquarters is at New Delhi, approximately 1330 air route miles from Chabua and it is not possible for that headquarters to control the largely expanded operations. The cadre personnel to be provided from detachments of the 10th Airways Communication Squadron is supplying over 100 enlisted men. Approximately 77 officers and 540 enlisted men have been withdrawn from domestic communication squadrons and transferred to the

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west coast for immediate shipment for filler personnel. Additional fillers will be furnished from domestic squadrons at the rate of approximately thirty enlisted men per month. Assignment to the Flight Control Command is desirable due to the fact that this unit will provide communication service to the Fourteenth Air Force as well as to the Air Transport Command. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

15 JUN 1943

Subject: Reassignment of the 307th Bombardment Group (Hy).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be relieved from their present assignment and reassigned to the Thirteenth Air Force:

Hq. 307th Bombardment Group (Hy)
370th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
371st Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
372nd Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
424th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
CINC, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, South Pacific Area (airmail)
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Observation Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Present Designation	New Designation
Hq, 72nd Observation Group	Hq, 72nd Reconnaissance Group (Sp)
1st Observation Squadron	1st Reconnaissance Sq (Sp)
4th Observation Squadron	4th Reconnaissance Sq (Sp)
39th Observation Squadron	39th Reconnaissance Sq (Sp)
108th Observation Squadron	108th Reconnaissance Sq (Sp)

1. This action does not involve any change in authorized strength, station, assignment or present organization of these units.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)
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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Subject: Redesignation of Certain Observation Units.

Requirements Division, subject "Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units" and is desirable to complete the removal of the obsolete term "Observation" from Air Support units. Accomplishment of this request, together with the action being taken separately on the few remaining Observation units in the United States, will complete the substitution of Reconnaissance for Observation. The troop ceiling in this Theater is not affected as the orders specifically provide that there will be no change in the authorized strength or present organization of the unit. The action has been discussed informally with Lt. Colonel King, Latin-American Theater, OPD.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 51st Fighter Control Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 51st Fighter Control Squadron be reorganized, at the earliest practicable date, by the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China, India and Burma, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-47, 11 May 1943, with an authorized strength of 24 officers and 222 enlisted men, without change of station or assignment. The reorganized unit will consist of one basic section (Columns 7 to 15 inclusive).

1. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General's Office) and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China, India and Burma
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.G. Kuldell)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

Att: 2/0 for addressee

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from AGAS, OCAR, Air Defense Branch by R&R subject "Reorganization of the 51st Fighter Control Squadron" dated June 8, 1943 and from CG Tenth AF as indicated in classified message 810, dated June 6, 1943 (Cable 7787). Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL. 16 JUN 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Engineer Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted and activated, effective 20 June 43:

UNIT	STATION OF ACTIVATION	ACTIVATED BY THE COMMANDING GENERAL & ASSIGNED TO:
925th Engr Avn Regt (less 3 Battalions)	March Fld, Calif.	Fourth Air Force (further asgnd to 4th Engr Avn Unit Training Center)
926th Engr Avn Regt (less 3 Battalions)	AAB Richmond, Va.	First Air Force (further attached to 928th Engr Avn Regt for supervision of organization and training)

1. These units will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 5-411, April 1, 1942 with Changes 1 and 2 (less Columns 2, 4, and 7 and Column 4, Medical Section). These units will have an authorized strength of eight (8) officers, two hundred fifty-seven (257) enlisted men including two (2) officers and (12) enlisted men, attached medical. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication.

2. The activating agencies will supply cadre, fillers and replacement personnel. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

3. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #21 and special list of equipment as authorized by SPX 400 (5-29-43) OB-S-SPDDL-M, 2 June 43 "Special List of Equipment for the 924th Engineer Aviation Regiment", and will have an A-2 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

4. The Station Commanders charged with the activation of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Chief of Engineers, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General of the dates of activation.

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5. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the activating agencies, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206 dated 26 June 42.

II. That letter AG 322 (5-21-43)OB-I-AFRPG-M dated 22 May 43 be amended to delete all reference to the 1907th Engineer Aviation Battalion, scheduled for activation at March Field, California on 1 July 43.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Fld, N.Y.
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Cal.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD: See R&R from AFHRD, Office of Air Engineer, dated 10 June 43, subject as above. This action is in accordance with the Six Month's List and is necessary to provide units for overseas commitment. This is not an addition to the Army Air Forces Program and the necessary allotments will be secured by removal of the 1907th Engineer Aviation Battalion from list of units authorized for activation. Activations have been coordinated with the Fourth Air Force (Col. Haight, AF Engineer) and the First Air Force(Col. Fisher, AF Engr). These activations will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Published directive should be "Restricted". Memorandum stamped "Secret" because of Memorandum for Record.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 15 JUN 1943

Subject: Reassignment of Certain Photographic Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following Photographic Squadrons be relieved from their present assignments and reassigned to the 3rd Photographic Reconnaissance and Mapping Group:

5th Photographic Squadron (L)
22nd Photographic Squadron (L)

1. The 12th Photographic Squadron (L) and the 15th Photographic Sq (Hy) remain assigned to the 3rd Photographic Reconnaissance and Mapping Group.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:
OPD, W.D.G.S. (Disapproved 15 JUN 1943 AMB)

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request in R&R dated 29 May 1943 from Requirements Division, subject "Reassignment of Photographic Sqs". The requirements for Photographic Squadrons in Theaters has necessitated the movement of Squadrons irrespective of Group composition and the reassignments indicated above are necessary to alleviate the administrative problems involved.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF:

Subject: Weekly Report - Strength of Army Air Forces

1. The attached report entitled "Strength of The Army Air Forces" has been prepared on a weekly basis in the past by the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel. As a result of the March 29 reorganization, that office has requested that the report be prepared in the future by Statistical Control since most of the basic data included therein is gathered by the Statistical Control Division. The attached report is the initial issue prepared by Statistical Control.

2. Certain figures included in the attached report concerning officer personnel may differ somewhat from those previously prepared by Personnel since records maintained by Statistical Control are based upon current reports from field organizations, whereas those maintained by Personnel were based upon records maintained within that office.

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B. E. Gates

B. E. GATES
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Management Control

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Airdrome Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Present Designation	New Designation
43rd Airdrome Squadron (Sp)	310th Airdrome Squadron
310th Airdrome Squadron	43rd Airdrome Squadron (Sp)

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. A.G. Kaldell)
Technical Services Division, Edgehird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in long distance telephone call from Captain Sanders, A-1 Section, Second Air Force. The 310th Airdrome Squadron has been ordered to movement to an overseas designation within the Air Transport Command jurisdiction, but does not have a sufficient number of trained personnel while the present 43rd Airdrome Squadron (Sp) does have trained personnel. Inasmuch as time does not permit the physical transfer of these people from the 43rd to the 310th, it is necessary to make the redesignations as indicated above. This paper should be published with a RESTRICTED classification.

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Subject: Increase in Authorized Strength of Air Detachment, 1st Special Service Force.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That Inclosure 3 to letter AG 320.2 (7-8-42) MR-M-S-M, subject "Constitution and Activation of 1st Special Service Force", dated July 8, 1942 be deleted and the attached substituted therefor.

2. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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CWS, W.D.G.S. ( )

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Attn:

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request in AAR dated May 28, 1943 from Requirements Division, subject as above and increases the authorized strength of this Detachment from six officers and two enlisted men to seven officers and fifteen enlisted men. The fifteen enlisted men are already on duty with this Air Detachment as they were ordered to report at Langley Field, Virginia on or about April 18, 1942. The increase is necessary for proper performance of maintenance duties that are the responsibility of this Detachment. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

9 JUN 1943

Subject: Reorganization of the 20th Airways Communication Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 20th Airways Communication Squadron be reorganized by the Commanding Officer, Flight Control Command at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization 1-447, dated October 1, 1942 to operate the following stations in addition to Squadron Headquarters:

Communications
Class A 9
Class C 8
Class D 9
Class X 21

Cryptographic
Class I 6
Class II 3
Message Centers 9

1. Total authorized strength of the reorganized unit will be 52 officers, one warrant officer and 666 enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General's Office) and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
CINC, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding Officer, Flight Control Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Reorganization of the 20th Airways Communication Squadron.

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OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated April 9, 1943 from the Flight Control Command, subject "Increase in authorized strength of the 20th Airways Communication Squadron". Reference is made to 1st indorsement, dated May 14, 1943, same subject, from the Army Airways Communication System Wing, Asheville, North Carolina. Copy of the revised station list is attached for OPD's information. This action results in an increase of six officers and 203 enlisted men, and this addition of personnel is necessary to operate additional stations that are required for furnishing adequate communication service in that area. The request originated with the area Communications Control Officer, Pacific Wing. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Hq & Hq Sq, 6th Air Defense Wing.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the Hq & Hq Sq, 6th Air Defense Wing be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command on June 16, 1943, at Boston, Massachusetts.

2. This unit will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-600-1, dated November 26, 1942 and Changes 1 and 2, plus a Signal Officer Section (Column 3 of Table of Organization 11-497, dated September 15, 1942). Total authorized strength will be 65 officers and 194 enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. Personnel for the activation and organization of this unit will be furnished from sources under the control of the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command, with the exception of the wing commander (Line 2, Column 2 of T/O 1-600-1) who will be provided by the Theater Commander upon arrival of the Wing at its overseas station; and the aviation officer (Line 4, Column 2) who will be provided by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

4. Personnel replacement will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 327 and 328 (Personnel Status Reports).

5. Table of Basic Allowances 21, January 7, 1943 and authorized Changes will apply for individual equipment. Organizational equipment will be in accordance with a special list to be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AAAG, ORB, Air Defense Branch) and submitted to the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Material, Maintenance and Distribution, Supply and Services Branch. Equipment in this special list will be requisitioned in the usual manner. This unit will have an A-2 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

6. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to officers of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

7. The Station Commander charged with activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant General of the date of activation.

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V. Technical Order 00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #296, dated June 26, 1942.

BY. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, New York
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in AAG dated June 3, 1943 from Requirements Division, subject "Constitution and Activation of 6th Air Defense Wing" and is in keeping with the policy of having the Eastern Defense Command activate units of this type for overseas service. This wing is scheduled for overseas movement in the near future and warning orders are being requested immediately. The action has been coordinated by Air Defense Branch of Requirements Division with General Barnes, Commanding General of the 1st Fighter Command and with Colonel Hugnet, Chief of Staff of the First Air Force. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Publication of this paper should be UNNECESSARY.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL JUN 1943

Subject: Reorganization of the 566th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 566th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion be reorganized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, effective as of June 15, 1943, in accordance with Table of Organization #11-400, July 1, 1942, and Changes #1, November 11, 1942, with teams as indicated on the attached Inclosure, without change of station or assignment.

2. The reorganized unit will have an authorized strength of thirty-seven (37) officers, ten (10) warrant officers and six hundred thirty-four (634) enlisted men, including four (4) officers and thirty-eight (38) enlisted men, attached medical.

3. Excess personnel and equipment resulting from this reorganization will be transferred to other units under the control of the Commanding General, Third Air Force.

4. This action will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

5. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form #120 (Personnel Status Report).

6. Paragraph #2 of AAF Memorandum #35-1, dated June 13, 1942, Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", will apply.

7. The reorganized unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, September 15, 1942, to operate eight (8) SCR-270's. Additional items of equipment, if any, will be specified by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements, Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch).

8. Reporting Platoons will be of the fixed type. See note (*) Table of Organization #11-400, July 1, 1942, and Note (*), Page 12, Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, dated September 15, 1942.

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9. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made by offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces. SECRET DECLASSIFIED

9. The Station Commander charged with the reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

10. That the reorganized unit be fully equipped and prepared for functional duty on or about September 1, 1943.

11. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
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Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from A.C. of S., G-3, & R., (Air Defense Branch) by MAR, dated June 2, 1943, Subject: "Reorganization of the 566th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion", based on Secret Radiogram #413 dated May 28, 1943, (OPD 320.2 (5-26-43) and reply thereto, which was not distributed to the Army Air Forces, and OPD, WDGS, Directive, reference OPD 320.2 PSD (5-26-43) dated May 27, 1943, Subject: "Aircraft Warning Bn for Northern Solomon Area". This action will not exceed the current Aircraft Warning Service Troop Unit Basis. This action results in a reduction in authorized strength of eight (8) officers, seven (7) warrant officers and two hundred fifty-eight (258) enlisted men, for this unit. This paper is classified "Secret" because of Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified "Restricted".

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2 Hq & Hq Co	A 1	7 2 34		Administration and Supply -
3 Two Bdg Gen (each)	DOEFHIJPRS 1411311411214	19 4 300	2 19	& Engineering and Planning
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Increase of Certain Hq & Hq Sqs, Air Depot Groups.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (9 June 43) OR-I-AFPSP-M, dated 10 June 1943, subject as above, be amended by addition of the 17th Air Depot Group to the list of units to be increased.

1. Inclosure #1 is likewise amended by the addition of the 17th Air Depot Group to the list of units to which it is applicable.

II. That the Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations be notified of this action by secret radiogram giving the file designation of the published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Message #2905, dated 1 July 1943 from Algiers, and results in authorization of a total strength of two officers and fifteen enlisted men in the finance section of the Hq & Hq Sq, 17th Air Depot Group. This Group was omitted from the previous action because it was not known at that time by this Headquarters that it had been transferred from the Ninth Air Force to the Twelfth Air Force. The transfer was made by the Theater commander on authority of Message #4978, dated 28 April 1943. This action has been concurred in informally by Colonel Browne of OPD who stated that formal concurrence was not necessary. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Increase in Certain Hq & Hq Sqs, Air Depot Groups.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Finance Sections of the Hq & Hq Sqs of the following Air Depot Groups be increased in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table:

11th Air Depot Group
19th Air Depot Group
20th Air Depot Group
34th Air Depot Group
36th Air Depot Group
37th Air Depot Group
38th Air Depot Group

1. Total authorized strength of the increased Finance Sections will be two (2) officers and fifteen (15) enlisted men: Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of increase will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General's Office) and the Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. G. Kuldell)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with disposition form OPD 320.2/M (1-7-43), dated April 22, 1943, subject "Table of Organization and Tables of Basic Allowances". The increase provides [redacted] Hq & Hq Sq, Air Depot Group, with one additional officer and 10 additional enlisted men. T/O 1-[redacted] is in the process of being revised to include in the Finance Section the additional personnel represented by this increase. The action is in accordance with recommendations from the theater commander and is necessary to provide adequate finance service for the troops in that area.

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WASHINGTON 25D, THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 8 JUN 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Fighter Control Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by and assigned to the Fourth Air Force, effective June 15, 1943, in accordance with Table of Organization 1-97, May 11, 1943 as follows:

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205rd Fighter Control Squadron — McChord Field, Washington

	Off.	E.M.
1 Radio section - columns 7 to 15 inclusive	2	222
6 Mess teams - column 17	0	12
2 M/T teams - column 20	0	20
6 Radio link teams 9 column 21	0	18
1 Radio relay team - column 22	0	10
Total	24	282

217th Fighter Control Squadron — March Field, California

1 Radio section - columns 7 to 15 inclusive	24	222
6 Mess teams - column 17	0	10
1 C.C.I. control team - column 19	2	4
2 M/T teams - column 20	0	20
1 Section headquarters - column 12	4	17
3 Radio link teams - column 21	0	6
2 Radio relay teams - column 22	0	20
Total	30	299

2. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. The Fourth Air Force will furnish cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 137 and 138 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. The Station Commander charged with activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant

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General of the date of activation.

4. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1943 and Changes. The 325rd Fighter Control Squadron will have a C-1-1885 and the 317th Fighter Control Squadron a C-1-1854 priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

5. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
July 18, 1943 (See Incl)	August 18, 1943 (See Incl)	September 8, 1943

7. Secretary's Order 00-32-31 will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #208, dated June 26, 1943.

BY. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, California
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. H.G. Muldoli)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Fighter Control Squadrons.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Dispatched
8 JUN 1943
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Incl.

RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program, the six-month list, and a request from the AGAS, ORCR Air Defense Branch by ltr dated May 21, 1943, subject "Activation of Certain Fighter Control Squadrons" and has been coordinated with the Fourth Air Force. Equipment for the 326th Fighter Control Squadron will include: 1 Fighter Control center, 1 Transmitter station, 1 Receiver station, 1 Forward relay station, 1 Homing D/F station, 4 Fixed D/F stations and 6 Radio links. Equipment for the 327th Fighter Control Squadron will include: 1 Fighter control center, 1 Fighter control subcenter, 2 Transmitter stations, 2 Receiver stations, 1 Forward relay station, 1 G.C.I. station, 2 Radio links, 2 Homing D/F stations, 4 Fixed D/F stations. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Publication of this paper should be RESTRICTED.

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PERSONNEL REQUIRED

for the 328th Fighter Control Squadron

	Personnel Required for Unit MOS Numeral	Additional Personnel Required for Unit MOS Numeral
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	2	1
Controller	3	3
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
Total	9	4
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin and Tech Clerks	2	2
AF Radio Oper and Mech	1	
Radio Mech CFS	10	27
Telephone and Telegraph Operator	1	1
Cook-Baker	6	6
Automotive Equipment Mech	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper	1	1
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	13	28
Total	88	88
ARMY AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical-	1	
Total	1	
ARMY AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin and Tech Clerk		1
Automotive Equip Oper		1
Medical MOS		1
Medical Tech		1
Surgical Tech	2	
Total	2	4

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE

for the 317th Fighter Control Squadron

	Personnel Required for Unit 25% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
COMMISSIONED OFFICERS		
Communications	3	3
Controllers	4	4
Statistical	1	
All Other	3	
Total	11	7
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin and Tech Clerks	9	10
AF Radio Oper and Mech	2	
Radio Mech GNS	24	33
Telephone and Telegraph Lineman	2	2
Cook-Baker	5	5
Automotive Equipment Mech	1	1
Automotive Equipment Oper	1	3
Other Specialist	7	20
All Other	12	30
Total	63	104
ARMS AND SERVICES OFFICERS		
Medical	1	
Total	1	
ARMS AND SERVICES ENLISTED MEN		
Medical - Admin and Tech Clerk		1
Automotive Equip Oper		1
Medical NCO		1
Medical Tech		1
Surgical Tech	2	
Total	2	4

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Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training (Att.: Col. League) 8 June 1943

Air Adjutant General

JBC:JB 5789

1. Attention is invited to the attached letter from Commanding General, First Air Force, the "Security" classification of which has been removed.

2. Records of this office indicate that the communication referred to in par. 1 of that letter was prepared by you and signed by Gen. Harper. Informal check with Intelligence Security Officer, Col. Bentley (JB 150) reveals that it was not a "Security" document, but that the "secret" classification was adequate.

3. In view of the above facts, it is suggested that you confirm this information by contacting Col. Bentley and make reply to basic letter accordingly.

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WAR DEPARTMENT FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the I Troop Carrier Command, and activated by the Commanding General thereof as indicated, effective June 6, 1943:

Unit	Station	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq & Hq Sq, 60th Troop Carrier Wing	Sedalia Army Air Base, Sedalia, Missouri	C-1-1506
Hq & Hq Sq, 61st Troop Carrier Wing	Pope Field, Fort Bragg, North Carolina	C-1-1507

2. Table of Organization 1-310-1, February 15, 1943 and Change will be used as a guide in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a seperate communication.

3. The I Troop Carrier Command will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

4. The Station Commander charged with activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the date of activation.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with the latest Table of Equipment 1-310-1.

6. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

7. Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in

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TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces,
Washington, D. C.

1. Reference is made to Secret letter, your Headquarters, May 4, 1943, subject "Schedule of Activation and Training of Air Defense Units and Crews" with two inclosures.

2. Inclosures No. 1 and 2 show the status of the Activation, Ltr ganization and Training Program of Fighter and Fighter Control Units, and these inclosures, for the first time, show the foreign destination of these units.

3. Information is requested whether this correspondence should have carried a Secret Security classification.

4. Pending receipt of information requested in paragraph 3, above, this correspondence will be handled as Security paper in these headquarters.

For the Commanding General:

RAYMOR GARVEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Adjutant General.

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War Department Circular #238, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 19th Statistical Control Unit, Indianapolis, Indiana
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.S. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air [illegible]

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated May 31, 1943 from AC/AS, Training, subject "Activation of Two Additional Troop Carrier Wings" and concurred in by Requirements Division in Comment 2, May 28, 1943. No additional Troop Carrier Wings appear in the Army Air Forces program, but provision is being made for these two by elimination of two Anticubmarine Wings which were scheduled for activation earlier this year but have not been activated. These Wings are necessary to take over the training functions of the 52nd and 53rd Troop Carrier Wings which are scheduled for overseas movement in February, 1943. It is considered advisable to activate two Wings at this time so one training wing will be available to handle training in the event it is necessary to commit an additional Wing to a theater. While not tactical in nature, these Wings are required for combined training exercises and maneuvers in accordance with agreement between the Army Air Forces and the Army Ground Forces. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Publication of this paper should be RESTRICTED.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Augmentation of Hq & Hq Squadrons, 1st, 24th and 25th Air Depot Groups.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Squadrons of the 1st, 24th, and 25th Air Depot Groups be augmented by the addition of a signal section in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table #1-210, dated May 31, 1943. This action will be accomplished from personnel now available to the Caribbean Defense Command.

1. This augmentation will be accomplished within the approved Sixth Air Force Troop ceiling as well as the authorized troop ceiling for the Caribbean Defense Command.

2. A report will be submitted by the Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command confirming the augmentation as outlined herewith to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command (by Air Mail letter)
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Mulvall)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: The Sixth Air Force in letter of March 6, 1943 subject: "Authorization of Grades for Signal Corps Officers" requested activation of 3 Signal Companies Depot Aviation, less Warrant Officers and enlisted men in order to supply Signal Officers for Airborne Radio and Radar installation and maintenance and Signal Supply for that area including activities of the Air Transport Command. In lieu of activation of Signal units without Warrant Officers and enlisted men the Army Air Forces recommends authorization of a Signal Section as indicated in this Memorandum. By comparison the Miami Air Depot is authorized 4 signal officers for the activities of that Air Depot. Personnel for this action will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This action has been informally discussed with Lt. Col. King of OPD-WDGS.

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PERSONNEL ALLOTMENT TABLE
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WAR DEPARTMENT,
Headquarters, Army Air Forces,
Washington, May 31, 1943.

ARMY AIR FORCES
Signal Section
HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON,
1st, 24th, 25th, AIR DEPOT GROUP

The following personnel is allotted to each of the above Air Depot Groups:

1 Major (0210)
1 Captain (0210)
1 First lieutenant (0210)

This table does not authorize an increase in the overall allotment of personnel to the Caribbean Defense Command.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Hq. 479th Antisubmarine Group.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq. 479th Antisubmarine Group be constituted, assigned to the Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, and activated by the Commanding General thereof at the earliest practicable date, in Newfoundland, in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table. Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

1. Cadre, fillers and replacements will be furnished by the Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 129 and 128.

2. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Equipment 1-3000-1 now being processed by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

3. Priority rating will be the same as for other units in Newfoundland.

4. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

5. Technical Order 00-25-5A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOKE,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Attn: P/A/T

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with verbal instructions of General Giles. Three Antisubmarine Squadrons are stationed at Newfoundland and a Group Headquarters is necessary for the purpose of coordinating and directing their efforts. The Headquarters is also required to coordinate operations with other agencies, such as the Navy, the R.A.F., and the R.C.A.F. This unit is now operating provisionally from personnel available in that area. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 18 JUN 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Hq, 480th Antisubmarine Group.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq, 480th Antisubmarine Group be constituted, assigned to the Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, and activated by the Commanding General thereof at the earliest practicable date, in North Africa, using the attached Personnel Allotment Table as a guide. Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

1. Cadre, fillers and replacements will be furnished by the Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128.

2. Equipment will be in accordance with a special list to be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command and submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (ACAS, MRSD, 2 copies only). The special list will include equipment, appropriate to the strength, which will enable the unit to perform its primary mission. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be the same as for other units in North Africa.

3. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

4. Technical Order 00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Attn: P/A/T

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with verbal instructions of General Giles. Two Antisubmarine Squadrons are stationed at North Africa and a Group Headquarters is necessary to coordinate and direct their efforts. The Headquarters is also required to coordinate operations with other agencies, such as the Navy, the R.A.F., and the R.C.A.F. This unit is now operating provisionally from personnel available in that area. See GHQ directive 320.2 Africa (6-8-43) dated 15 June 1943 which authorizes grades slightly in excess of those shown on P/A/T 1-163 as amended. The change has been coordinated with G-3 (Colonel Ladd) by Colonel Lowe, Requirements Division. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Headquarters, 480th Antisubmarine Group.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 322 (18 Jun 43) OR-I-AFPG-M, subject as above, dated 19 June 1943 be amended by adding, immediately after "Headquarters, 480th Antisubmarine Group", the word "Separate" wherever it appears therein.

II. That the following be notified of this action: (Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is necessary that unit may be designated in conformance with the Personnel Allotment Table.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 8q, 480th Antisubmarine Group.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 8q, 480th Antisubmarine Group be constituted, assigned to the Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command, and activated by the Commanding General thereof at the earliest practicable date, in North Africa, in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table. Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

2. Cadre, fillers and replacements will be furnished by the Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command. Personnel replacement will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 129 and 128.

3. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Equipment 1-1480-1, now being processed by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

4. Priority rating will be the same as for other units in North Africa.

5. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.O. Holdell)
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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Agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN E. COOKEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Attn: P/A/T

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with verbal instructions of General Giles. [redacted] Antisubmarine Squadrons are stationed in North Africa and a Group Headquarters is necessary for the purpose of coordinating and directing their efforts. The Headquarters is also required to coordinate operations with other agencies, such as the Navy, the R.A.F., and the R.C.A.F. This unit is now operating provisionally from personnel available in that area. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Headquarters, Army Air Forces, and activated at Cobb County Airport, Marietta, Georgia by the Commanding Officer thereof, effective as of June 10, 1943:

Unit	Organized in accordance with:	Equipment	Priority Rating
522nd Base Hq & AB Sq (Rd)	T/O 1-422-RS, Sept. 1, 1942	Tech Order #00-30-82 and T/A #20 FCS	C-1-1501
1320th Guard Squadron	M/T 1-3001, Nov. 1, 1942	T/A 1-4, Dec. 5, 1942	C-1-1502

1. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. The Commanding General, Second Air Force will supply cadres, fillers, and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Forms #127 and #128 (Personnel Status Reports). Direct correspondence is authorized in this connection.

3. The Station Commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the dates of activation.

4. Twenty (20) copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding Officer, Cobb County Airport, Marietta, Georgia, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

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5. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #204, dated June 26, 1942.

6. Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Ft. George Wright, Washington
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Provost Marshal General
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Baldell)
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Baltimore Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R from Orgn. and Trng. Branch, MMD, dated May 18, 1943, Subject: "Assignment of Station Complement Units to Marietta, Georgia". This action will be in accordance with the present B-29 Program at this station which is under the immediate direction of Brigadier General K. B. Wolfe, and is in accordance with directive, Commanding General, Army Air Forces to General Wolfe. The Commanding General, Second Air Force will provide such facilities, services, and personnel as are required by General Wolfe to carry out his instructions. This directive is marked "Secret" because of the information contained in Memorandum for Record but the published letter should be marked "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated without change of station or assignment:

Old Designation	New Designation
Hq. 67th Observation Group	Hq. 67th Reconnaissance Group
12th Observation Squadron	12th Reconnaissance Sq (Fighter)
107th Observation Squadron	107th Reconnaissance Sq (Fighter)
109th Observation Squadron	109th Reconnaissance Sq (Fighter)
155rd Observation Squadron	155rd Liaison Squadron
Hq. 68th Observation Group	Hq. 68th Reconnaissance Group
111th Observation Squadron	111th Reconnaissance Sq (Fighter)
154th Observation Squadron	154th Reconnaissance Sq (Fighter)
16th Observation Squadron	16th Reconnaissance Sq (Bomber)
162nd Observation Squadron	122nd Liaison Squadron
86th Observation Squadron	86th Reconnaissance Squadron (Bomber)

II. That the units listed above be reorganized at the earliest practicable date by the commanders concerned in accordance with the attached Personnel Allotment Table. Officer ranks and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

3. The dates of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General's Office) and The Adjutant General without delay.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Hawaiian Department
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
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Commanding General, Army Service Forces
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Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Att: P/A/T MAY 28 1943
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with directive from OPD contained in Memorandum for the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, dated May 18, 1943, subject: "Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units", file reference OPD 320.2 (4-30-43). The request forwarded to OPD by the Theater Branch also asked that the 72nd Observation Group be redesignated and reorganized but this unit was specifically excluded in the OPD directive. The redesignation and reorganization is desirable to facilitate technical administrative and tactical control. This action results in a decrease of 24 officers and 132 enlisted men in the 67th Group, an increase of 17 officers and a decrease of 66 enlisted men in the 68th Group and an increase of 32 officers and 58 enlisted men in the 86th Squadron. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Fourth Air Force, and activated by the Commanding General thereof as indicated:

Unit	Date Section of Activation	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq. 474th Fighter Gp (Twin Engine)	August 1, 1943	C-1-1826
428th Fighter Sq (Twin Engine)		
429th Fighter Sq (Twin Engine)		
430th Fighter Sq (Twin Engine)		
Hq. 367th Fighter Group	July 15, 1943	C-1-1823
392nd Fighter Sq		
393rd Fighter Sq		
394th Fighter Sq		
Hq. 369th Fighter Group	August 1, 1943	C-1-1824
396th Fighter Sq		
397th Fighter Sq		
400th Fighter Sq		

1. The tables of organization listed below will be used as guides in the organization of these units; specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication:

Hq. Fighter Groups — 1-12, July 1, 1942 with authorized changes
Fighter Squadrons — 1-27, July 1, 1942 with authorized changes
Hq. Fighter Groups (Twin Engine) — 1-12, July 1, 1942 with authorized changes
Fighter Squadrons (Twin Engine) — 1-37, July 1, 1942 with authorized changes

2. The Fourth Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. When activations have been accomplished, the Station Commander, under authority of this letter, will notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General

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of the dates of activation.

4. Permanent stations will be determined by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force and will be included in the order issued by him pursuant to this directive. Orders will be issued by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force no later than twenty days prior to the dates of activation of units constituted herein.

5. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #1, July 1, 1942 and Change.

7. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

Date of Activation	Date to Reach (See 20% Strength Incl)	Date to Reach (See 80% Strength Incl)	Date to Reach 100% Strength
July 15, 1943	August 15, 1943	Sept. 15, 1943	October 8, 1943
August 1, 1943	Sept. 1, 1943	October 1, 1943	October 26, 1943

8. Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #208, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, California
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General SECRET

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the Army Air Forces expansion program and completes authority for activation of the remaining Fighter Groups for the Fourth Air Force that are to begin operational training prior to the end of 1943. The action is in accordance with a decision at a conference held May 13, 1943 and attended by representatives of all interested Divisions. Specific co-ordination pertaining to the activation of these units has been secured from Lt. Col. Furyear, Training and Captain Young, Allocations Branch. A separate memo is being prepared on Fighter Groups for the First Air Force. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This letter is classified SECRET because of Memo for Record but published copy should be RESTRICTED.

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AIR CORPS PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS FOR FIGHTER GP (T.E.)

	Personnel Required for Unit 28% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned
OFFICERS		
2 Engine Pilot	12	15
Engineering	3	
Armament		3
Weather	1	
Communications	5	
Intelligence	3	3
Statistical	2	
All Other Officers	10	
Total Officers	36	21
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin & Tech Clerk	21	79
Draftsman	3	
Airplane Armorer	15	16
Air Forces Radio Mech	10	
Air Forces Radio Oper	2	2
Air Forces Radio Oper & Tech	9	
Radio Mechanic (CMS)	12	
Radio Mechanic (F)	3	
Telephone and Telegraph Lineman	3	
Teletypewriter Mech	4	
Army Airplane & Engine Mech	28	27
Airplane Electrical Specialist	3	
Airplane Instrument Specialist	6	
Airplane Propeller Specialist	3	
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	6	
Army Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker	3	
Machinist	3	
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	3	
Welder	3	
Cook-Baker	19	13
Photographic Lab Tech	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech	4	
Automotive Equipment Oper	4	6
Heavy Automotive Equip Oper	3	15
Air Forces Painter		3
Carpenter	3	3
All Other Enlisted Men Group	9	16
Total Enlisted Men	185	183

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AIR CORPS PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS FOR FIGHTER GROUP (S. E.)

	Personnel Required for Unit 3?6 Manual	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 3?6 Manual
OFFICERS		
1 Engine Pilot	12	15
2 Engine Pilot		
Engineering	3	
Armament		3
Weather	1	
Communications	3	
Intelligence	3	3
Statistical	2	
All Other Officers	10	
Total Officers	36	21
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin & Tech Clerk	21	79
Draftsman	3	
Airplane Armorer	15	16
Air Forces Radio Mech	10	
Air Forces Radio Oper	2	2
Air Forces Radio Oper & Tech	9	
Radio Mechanic (CHS)	12	
Radio Mechanic (F)	3	
Telephone and Telegraph Lineman	3	
Teletypewriter Mech	4	
Army Airplane & Engine Mech	28	24
Airplane Electrical Specialist	3	
Airplane Instrument Specialist	6	
Airplane Propeller Specialist	3	
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	6	
Army Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker	3	
Machinist	3	
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	3	
Welder	3	
Cook-Baker	19	13
Photographic Lab Tech	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech	4	
Automotive Equipment Oper	4	6
Heavy Automotive Equip Oper	3	15
Air Forces Painter		3
Carpenter	3	3
All Other Enlisted Men Group	6	16
Total Enlisted Men Group	179	180

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Fighter Groups.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, activated by the and assigned to the First Air Force as indicated:

Unit	Date of Activation	Priority Rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq. 370th Fighter Gp	July 1, 1943	C-1-1821
401st Fighter Sq		
402nd Fighter Sq		
403rd Fighter Sq		
Hq. 371st Fighter Gp	July 15, 1943	C-1-1822
404th Fighter Sq		
405th Fighter Sq		
406th Fighter Sq		
Hq. 372nd Fighter Gp	August 15, 1943	C-1-1826
410th Fighter Sq		
411th Fighter Sq		
412th Fighter Sq		

1. The tables of organization listed below will be used as guides in the organization of these units; specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication:

Hq. Fighter Group -- 1-12, July 1, 1942 with authorized changes
Fighter Squadrons -- 1-27, July 1, 1942 with authorized changes

2. The First Air Force will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. When activations have been accomplished, the Station Commander, under authority of this letter, will notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the dates of activation.

4. Permanent stations will be determined by the Commanding General, First

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Air Forces and will be included in the order issued by him pursuant to this directive. Orders will be issued by the Commanding General, First Air Force no later than twenty days prior to the dates of activation of units constituted herein.

5. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, First Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. Organizational equipment will not be furnished these units until their arrival at final phase stations. These units will be supplied in accordance with War Department Memorandum No. W700-17-43, subject "Service Forces for Army Air Forces, Particularly Operational Training Units and Replacement Training Units", dated March 25, 1943, and with specific instructions to the Chiefs of Technical Services relative to the designation of final phase stations and date by which equipment will be required.

7. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

	Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
370th Fighter Group	August 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Sept. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Sept. 24, 1943
371st Fighter Group	August 15, 1943 (See Incl)	Sept. 15, 1943 (See Incl)	October 8, 1943
372nd Fighter Group	Sept. 15, 1943 (See Incl)	October 15, 1943 (See Incl)	November 8, 1943

8. Technical Order OO-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, N.Y.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the Army Air Forces expansion program and completes authority for activation of the remaining Fighter Groups for the First Air Force that are to begin operational training prior to the end of 1943. The action is in accordance with a decision at a conference held May 13, 1943 and attended by representatives of all interested Divisions. Specific coordination pertaining to the activation of these units has been secured from Lt.Colonel Furgeur, Training and Captain Young, Allocations Branch. A separate memorandum is being prepared on Fighter Groups for the Fourth Air Force. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This letter is classified SECRET because of memorandum for record but published copy should be RESTRICTED.

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AIR CORPS PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS FOR FIGHTER GROUP (S. E.)

	Personnel Required for Unit 75% Manned	Additional Personnel Required for Unit 90% Manned
OFFICERS		
1 Engine Pilot	12	15
2 Engine Pilot	3	
Engineering		3
Armament	1	
Weather	5	
Communications	3	3
Intelligence	2	
Statistical	10	
All Other Officers	36	21
Total Officers		
ENLISTED MEN		
Admin & Tech Clerk	21	79
Draftsman	2	
Airplane Armorer	15	16
Air Forces Radio Mech	10	
Air Forces Radio Oper	2	2
Air Forces Radio Oper & Tech	9	
Radio Mechanic (CME)	12	
Radio Mechanic (F)	3	
Telephone and Telegraph Lineman	2	
Teletypewriter Mech	4	
Army Airplane & Engine Mech	25	34
Airplane Electrical Specialist	3	
Airplane Instrument Specialist	6	
Airplane Propeller Specialist	3	
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	6	
Army Airplane Dope & Fabric Worker	3	
Machinist	3	
Parachute Rigger & Repairman	3	
Welder	3	
Cook-Baker	19	13
Photographic Lab Tech	3	3
Automotive Equipment Mech	4	
Automotive Equipment Oper	4	6
Heavy Automotive Equip Oper	3	15
Air Forces Painter		3
Carpenter	3	3
All Other Enlisted Men Group	6	16
Total Enlisted Men Group	179	180

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May 21, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Troop Carrier Groups.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the I Troop Carrier Command and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Baer Field, Indiana on the dates indicated:

Unit	Date of Activation	Priority rating for Controlled Items of Equipment
Hq. 440th Troop Carrier Group	July 1, 1943	G-1-1827
95th Troop Carrier Sq		
96th Troop Carrier Sq		
97th Troop Carrier Sq		
98th Troop Carrier Sq		
Hq. 441st Troop Carrier Group	August 1, 1943	G-1-1828
99th Troop Carrier Sq		
100th Troop Carrier Sq		
301st Troop Carrier Sq		
302nd Troop Carrier Sq		
Hq. 442nd Troop Carrier Group	September 1, 1943	G-1-1829
303rd Troop Carrier Sq		
304th Troop Carrier Sq		
305th Troop Carrier Sq		
306th Troop Carrier Sq		
Hq. 443rd Troop Carrier Group	October 1, 1943	G-1-1830
307th Troop Carrier Sq		
310th Troop Carrier Sq		

1. Table of Organization 1-312, February 15, 1943 for the Hq. Troop Carrier Groups and 1-317, February 15, 1943 for the Troop Carrier Squadrons will be used as guides in the organization of these units. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. The I Troop Carrier Command will supply cadres, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

3. The Station Commander charged with activation of units under author-

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ity of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the dates of activation.

4. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

5. Organizational equipment will not be furnished these units until their arrival at final phase stations. These units will be supplied in accordance with War Department Memorandum No. W700-19-43, subject "Service Forces for Army Air Forces, Particularly Operational Training Units and Replacement Training Units", dated March 26, 1943, and with specific instructions to the Chiefs of Technical Services relative to the designation of final phase stations and date by which equipment will be required.

6. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

	Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
440th Troop Carrier Gp	August 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Sept. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Sept. 24, 1943
441st Troop Carrier Gp	Sept. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Oct. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Oct. 25, 1943
442nd Troop Carrier Gp	Oct. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Nov. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Nov. 24, 1943
443rd Troop Carrier Gp	Nov. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Dec. 1, 1943 (See Incl)	Dec. 25, 1943

7. Technical Order 00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1943.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, I Troop Carrier Command
Commanding Officer, 19th Statistical Control Unit, Indianapolis, Indiana
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.G. Kaldell)

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Troop Carrier Groups

Technical Services Division, Middleburg Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
(5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. E. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the Army Air Forces expansion program and with a conference held May 13, 1943 and attended by representatives of interested Divisions at which time it was decided to issue formal activation orders on the remaining tactical groups in the program for 1943. This action completes the authorization for activation of all remaining Troop Carrier Groups in the expansion program. Specific co-ordination has been secured with Major McMahon of Training and Major Millett of Allocations Branch, O.C. & R. The equipment paragraph shown was requested by Captain Rudnes of Supply and Maintenance Branch, M.M. & D. Only two Squadrons are being activated for the 442nd Troop Carrier Group because the 307th and 308th Troop Carrier Squadrons were activated on March 15, 1943 in advance of the activation of the Group and these two squadrons will be reassigned from the 10th to the 442nd Troop Carrier Group when the latter unit begins operational training approximately January 1, 1944. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Classification of this paper is SECRET but publication should be RESTRICTED.

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PERSONNEL SCHEDULE TROOP CARRIER GROUP

	Personnel Required for Unit MOS Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit MOS Manned		
	Off	1 Sq	Off	Off	1 Sq	Off
	Enl		Enl	Enl		Enl
			4 Sq			4 Sq
AAF PERSONNEL						
Officers						
2 Engine Pilot	2	6	26	8	14	61
Glider Pilot		1	4		1	4
Engineering		1	4		1	4
Weather				1		1
Communications	1	1	8	1	1	8
Intelligence	1	1	8	2	2	10
Statistical	1	1	8	2	1	6
All other officers		2	8		4	16
Total Officers	5	13	67	11	24	107
ENLISTED MEN						
Admin and Tech Clerk	10	12	50	19	24	115
Draftsman	1	1	5	1	1	5
Airplane Armorer					1	4
Air Forces Radio Oper	1	2	9	2	11	46
Air Forces Radio Opr & Mech	1	2	9	1	3	13
Telephone & Telegraph Lineman		1	4		1	4
Teletypewriter Mech	1		1	1		4
Teletype Operator	2	1	6	4	2	12
Enlisted Glider Pilot		3	12		6	24
Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic	1	12	49	1	24	97
Airplane Electrical Specialist		1	4		1	4
Airplane Instrument Specialist		1	4		2	8
Airplane Propeller Specialist		1	4		1	4
Airplane Sheet Metal Worker		1	4		1	4
Army Airplane Repr & Fabric Worker		1	4		2	8
Glider Mechanic		10	40		18	72
Parachute Rigger & Repairman		3	12		6	24
Welder		1	4		1	4
Cook-Baker		4	16	1	7	29
Automotive Equipment Mech	1	1	5	1	2	9
Automotive Equipment Oper	1	8	25	2	15	62
Carpenter		1	4		1	4
General Electrician	1	4			1	4
All other enlisted men Group		7	28		12	48
Total enlisted men	20	76	317	35	143	606

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	Personnel Required for Unit 28% Manned			Additional Personnel Required for Unit 80% Manned		
	Gp Hq	1 Sq	Gp Hq-4 Sq	Gp Hq	1 Sq	Gp Hq-4 Sq
OTHER ARMS AND SERVICES						
Officers						
Corps of Chaplains				1		1
Medical Dept	1	1	5	2	3	10
Total Officers	1	1	5	3	3	11
Enlisted Men						
Chemical Warfare Service		1	4		1	4
Medical Dept	2	2	10	3	4	19
Total Enlisted Men	2	3	14	3	5	23
AGGREGATE STRENGTH						
Officers	6	14	62	14	26	118
Enlisted Men	22	79	341	36	148	627

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Disbandment of Certain Quartermaster Units with the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 381st Quartermaster Platoon Depot Class III, Aviation and the 356th Quartermaster Platoon Depot Subsistence, Aviation be disbanded and the personnel and equipment, thereof, transferred to other units under control of the Air Service Command.

1. The date of disbandment will be reported without delay to the Service Commander concerned, The Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General.

2. Twenty copies of the disbandment order issued by the Air Service Command, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 15th Statistical Control Unit, (sp) Patterson Fld, Ohio
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Quartermaster General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers, (Col. R. C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Memo For TAG, Subj: "Disbandment of Certain Quartermaster Units with the Army Air Forces".

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action requested by WD & D in R & R of May 12, 1943, subject: "Return of Units from Panama Canal Dept., Shipment 8689", and letter from the Mobile Air Depot Control Area Command dated April 1, 1943, same subject, with 4 indorsements thereto. This Memorandum is marked "Secret" because of Memorandum for Record. Published directive will be "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Re-Assignment of Certain Bombardment Squadrons (Hy).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following Bombardment Squadrons (Hy) be relieved from their present assignments and re-assigned effective May 15, 1943 as indicated below:

Unit	New Assignment
329th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)	6th Bombardment Group (Hy)
346th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)	6th Bombardment Group (Hy)
358th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)	40th Bombardment Group (Hy)
359th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)	40th Bombardment Group (Hy)

1. Confirmation of re-assignment will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General) and the Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command (Atrmail)
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Holdahl)
Technical Services Division, Mainbird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Concurrences:
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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Message #4382, May 8, 1943 to the COSCO, and was requested in Message #187, May 6, 1943 from CBS. The 40th Bomb Gp is being returned to this country and the reassignment of sqs indicated above is necessary to provide for the return of squadrons with the highest experience level with the 40th Bomb Gp (Hy).

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Redesignation of the 3rd Bombardment Group (Dive)

Redesignation and Re-Organization of Certain Army Air Forces Units

To: OPD and TAG

for: Comment and recommendations
Necessary action

Incl.
Memo for TAG,
above subject.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated below without change of station or assignment:

Old Designation	New Designation
Hq, 3rd Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 3rd Bombardment Group (L)
8th Bombardment Squadron (D)	8th Bombardment Squadron (L)
13th Bombardment Squadron (D)	13th Bombardment Squadron (L)
89th Bombardment Squadron (D)	89th Bombardment Squadron (L)
90th Bombardment Squadron (D)	90th Bombardment Squadron (L)

1. The Bombardment Squadrons (L) shown above will be reorganized at the earliest practicable date by the Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area in accordance with Table of Organization 1-137, July 1, 1942 and Changes 1, 2, 3 and 4. Officer grades and enlisted grades will be authorized accordingly.

2. Excess personnel, if any, will be absorbed in units under the control of the Fifth Air Force.

3. The dates of reorganization and confirmation of redesignation will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General's Office) and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

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Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Concurrences:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Message 3744, dated May 13, 1943 to Brisbane from OPD. The Army Air Forces program contemplated equipping this Group with Dive Bombardment type airplanes due to the fact that no Light Bombardment airplanes were available for movement to this Theater at that time. Recently the situation has changed to permit allocations of A-20 airplanes to the 3rd Bombardment Group and for that reason it is being redesignated as "Light". Re-organization is necessary to place the Squadrons under the proper table of organization for Bombardment Squadrons (Light). The same table of organization for Group Hqs is applicable to both Dive and Light. The reorganization results in a decrease in the authorized strength of each Squadron of four officers and 17 enlisted men.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated effective upon their arrival at destination:

Old Designation	New Designation
Hq. 40th Bombardment Group (Hy)	Hq. 40th Bombardment Group (Hy)(B-29)
25th Bombardment Sq (Hy)	25th Bombardment Sq (Hy)(B-29)
44th Bombardment Sq (Hy)	44th Bombardment Sq (Hy)(B-29)
45th Bombardment Sq (Hy)	45th Bombardment Sq (Hy)(B-29)
98th Bombardment Sq (Hy)	98th Bombardment Sq (Hy)(B-29)

II. Concurrently, the Bombardment Squadrons (Hy) shown in the above paragraph will be reorganized by the Commanding General, Second Air Force under Table of Organization 1-117-15, dated March 27, 1943.

1. Filler personnel will be supplied from units under the control of the Commanding General, Second Air Force. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127 and 128 (Personnel Status Reports).

2. Twenty copies of the redesignation and reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Second Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

3. The Station Commander charged with redesignation and reorganization of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander and The Adjutant General of the dates of such actions.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Fort George Wright, Wash.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Kuldell)

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Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland

Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)

All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the present Army Air Forces expansion program as approved by the Air Staff. The 40th Bombardment Group (Hv) is being returned to this country from Panama and will be stationed at the 18th Replacement Wing, Salt Lake City, Utah. The unit is being converted into a B-29 Group for commitment to another Theater. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This paper is classified SECRET due to reference made in this memorandum for record, but publication should be RESTRICTED.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Units of the Army Air Forces.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Fourth Air Force for activation, training, equipping, and preparing for functional duty at Camp Pinedale, California as indicated:

Unit	Date of Activation	C-Day	Priority Rating
349th Signal Co Wing	June 1, 1943	Sept 1, 1943	C-1-1407
350th Signal Co Wing	June 1, 1943	Sept 1, 1943	C-1-1408
1351st Signal Co Wing	June 1, 1943	Sept 1, 1943	C-1-1409
1352nd Signal Co Wing	June 1, 1943	Sept 1, 1943	C-1-1410
1353rd Signal Co Wing	June 1, 1943	Sept 1, 1943	C-1-1411
1354th Signal Co Wing	June 1, 1943	Sept 1, 1943	C-1-1412
1355th Signal Co Wing	June 1, 1943	Sept 1, 1943	C-1-1413
1356th Signal Co Wing	June 1, 1943	Sept 1, 1943	C-1-1414
1357th Signal Co Wing	July 1, 1943	Oct 1, 1943	C-1-1415
1358th Signal Co Wing	July 1, 1943	Oct 1, 1943	C-1-1416
1359th Signal Co Wing	July 1, 1943	Oct 1, 1943	C-1-1417
1360th Signal Co Wing	July 1, 1943	Oct 1, 1943	C-1-1418
1361st Signal Co Wing	August 1,1943	Nov 1, 1943	C-1-1419
1362nd Signal Co Wing	August 1, 1943	Nov 1, 1943	C-1-1420
1363rd Signal Co Wing	August 1,1943	Nov 1, 1943	C-1-1421

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Unit	Date of Activation	D-Day	Priority Rating
1364th Signal Co Wing	Sept 1,1943	Dec 1,1943	C-1-1422
1365th Signal Co Wing	Sept 1,1943	Dec.1, 1943	C-1-1423
1366th Signal Co Wing	Sept 1,1943	Dec 1, 1943	C-1-1424
1367th Signal Co Wing	Oct 1, 1943	Jan 1, 1944	C-1-1425
1368th Signal Co Wing	Oct 1, 1943	Jan 1, 1944	C-1-1426
1369th Signal Co Wing	Oct 1, 1943	Jan 1, 1944	C-1-1427
1370th Signal Co Wing	Oct 1, 1943	Jan 1, 1944	C-1-1428

1. These units will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 11-247 of July 1, 1942 with an authorized strength of three (3) officers and eighty-six (86) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer ranks and enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication.

2. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowance #11, dated August 1, 1942 and will be supplied in accordance with AAF Regulation #65-10, of December 27, 1942.

3. The Fourth Air Force will supply cadre, fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 126 (Personnel Status Report).

4. These units will be activated at cadre strength and brought to full Table of Organization strength as nearly as practicable in accordance with the following schedule:

Reach 25% of T/O strength by 0 - 60 days.
Reach 50% of T/O strength by 0 - 30 days.
Reach 100% of T/O strength by 0 - 7 days.

Begin operational training approximately seven days after reaching full Table of Organization strength.

5. The Station Commander charged with the activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General, of the dates of activation.

6. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Fourth Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention Publications Section, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

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7. Army Air Forces Regulations 15-107, December 12, 1942 and 15-108, December 15, 1942, and Technical Order #00-25-34 will be complied with immediately.

8. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #206, dated June 26, 1942.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Calif.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. C. Muldell)
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the Army Air Forces Program insofar as totals are concerned though activations are being spread at the request of Requirements Division (Major Bittner) to fit into the shipping schedule furnished by the Theater Branch (Major Gatley). These activations bring the total Wing Companies to 69 and 71 are in the Program for December, 1943. Major Bittner states that these activations will meet overseas requirements. Major Bittner is to secure coordination with the Fourth Air Force and for that reason this paper is being sent through him for coordination. This Memorandum classified 'Secret' because of Memorandum for Record; published directive should be classified 'Restricted'.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Bombardment Groups (Hy).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following be deleted from Paragraph 1 of letter AG 320.2 (4-30-43) OB-I-AFRPG-M, subject as above, dated May 3, 1943:

Hq, 385th Bombardment Group (Hy)
548th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
549th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
550th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
551st Bombardment Squadron (Hy)

Hq, 386th Bombardment Group (Hy)
552nd Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
553rd Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
554th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
555th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)

Hq, 389th Bombardment Group (Hy)
564th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
565th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)
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567th Bombardment Squadron (Hy)

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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~~SECRET~~ MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the Secretary, Air Forces (Colonel Harmon, A-1) in telephone conversation, May 13, 1943, and is necessary since these units are under warning orders and reorganization is impossible at this time. This paper is SECRET but publication should be RESTRICTED. (Action concurred in by Captain Moss, AFRDB)

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization and Augmentation of the 707th Signal Aircraft Warning Company.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Commanding General, Western Defense Command be notified by secret directive to reorganize and augment the 707th Signal Aircraft Warning Company, at the earliest practicable date, in accordance with Table of Organization #11-400, July 1, 1942, and authorized Changes, with the following additional teams:

Team	G	P	S
Quantity	1	1	1

increasing the authorized strength of this unit to seventeen (17) officers, six (6) warrant officers, and three hundred forty-four (344) enlisted men, including two (2) officers and twenty-one (21) enlisted men, attached Medical. These teams will be designated as Signal Aircraft Warning Detachment #26, and upon arrival at its overseas destination it will be disbanded and all personnel and equipment will be assigned to the 707th Signal Aircraft Warning Company. Officer ranks and enlisted grades for the filler detachment will be reserved by the Western Defense Command until arrival at its destination.

1. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Western Defense Command, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, (Attention: Publications Section, The Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to Office of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the Commanding General, Third Air Force, be notified by restricted directive to organize, fill, train, equip and prepare for functional duty at the earliest practicable date Signal Aircraft Warning Detachment #26 in accordance with Table of Organization #11-400, July 1, 1942, and authorized Changes, with the following teams:

Team	G	P	S
Quantity	1	1	1

consisting of four (4) officers, one (1) warrant officer, and sixty-six (66) enlisted men, from personnel and equipment under his control. This action does not reduce the authorized strength of Source units.

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1. Filler personnel for source units will be secured in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report). Appropriate grades are to be reserved by the receiving Commander and are available to the Commanding General, Third Air Force, for the organization of this detachment.

2. This detachment will be equipped in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, September 15, 1942, to operate one radio set SCR-270.

3. Reporting platoon will be of the fixed type. See note "p", Table of Organization #11-400, July 1, 1942, or note (*) Page 12, Table of Basic Allowances #11-3, September 15, 1942.

4. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner by the submission of AAF Form #128 (Personnel Status Report).

5. Paragraph 2 of AAF Memorandum #31-1, dated June 13, 1942, Subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", will apply.

6. The Station Commander charged with the organization of this detachment under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Command, The Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General of the date of organization.

7. Twenty copies of the organization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Section, The Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to Offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

III. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Western Defense Command (Air Mail 6 copies)
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers (Col. R. G. Kuldell)
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCE: OPD, WDGS, ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR MESSER: This action is in accordance with request from A.C. of A.S., O.C. & R., Requirements Division, Air Defense Branch, by MAR, Subject: "Augmentation of the 707th Signal Aircraft Warning Company", dated April 27, 1943, based on Paragraph 3 of 4th Indorsement by the War Department, Reference File AG 320.2 (2-19-43) OB-S-M, dated April 14, 1943, on a secret letter from Headquarters, XI Fighter Command, dated February 19, 1943, Subject: "Personnel Requirements for Added Radar Sets". This action will be accomplished within the Aircraft Warning Service Troop Basis.

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May 13, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated:

Old Designation	New Designation
Hq, 3rd Photographic Group	Hq, 3rd Photographic Reconnaissance and Mapping Group
Hq, 4th Photographic Group	Hq, 4th Photographic Reconnaissance and Mapping Group

1. This action does not authorize any change of station, strength or assignment.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commander-in-Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers (Col. R.C. Muldell)
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Ctr., Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
All Divisions of the War Department General Staff and other interested agencies.

CONCURRENCE: For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

SPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

Dispatched MAY 14 1943 AAG

JOHN E. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from ACAS, OCAS, Photographic Requirements Section [illegible] dated May 4, 1943, subject "Re-designation of Certain Air Forces Units," and is necessary because OFS to 1/0 1-752 designates the units as shown above.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Airways Communications Area Headquarters

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That certain Airways Communications Area Headquarters be reorganized by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing, at the earliest practicable date in accordance with T/O & E 1-420-1, dated 23 December 1943, as indicated below:

Unit	Total Authorized Strength Off	WO	EM
Alaskan Airways Communications Area Headquarters	11	0	21
Asiatic Airways Communications Area Headquarters	11	0	21
Pacific Airways Communications Area Headquarters	11	0	21
African Airways Communications Area Headquarters	11	0	21
South Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters	11	0	21
North Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters	11	0	21

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. Equipment will be supplied to the fullest extent from sources available in the theater with shortages to be requisitioned in the usual manner.

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4. The dates of reorganizations will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Rear Echelon
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, North Atlantic Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

[redacted]

H. H. [redacted]
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested by NAR, dated 18 January 1944 from Air Communications Officer, Communications System Division, Subject: "Reorganization of AACS Area Headquarters", and is necessary so as to permit personnel to adequately perform duties and supervisory responsibilities as set forth in AR 95-200, paragraph 3g. This action is an increase of 8 officers and 9 enlisted men for each Headquarters of the above Airways Communications Area which is a total of 48 officers and 54 enlisted men and is within the overall Troop Basis for AACS. The Communications Area Headquarters listed below are responsible for the following Army Airways Communications Squadrons:

Alaskan Airways Communications Area Headquarters
11th Army Airways Communications Squadron
16th Army Airways Communications Squadron

Asiatic Airways Communications Area Headquarters
10th Army Airways Communications Squadron
25th Army Airways Communications Squadron

Pacific Airways Communications Area Headquarters
5th Army Airways Communications Squadron
7th Army Airways Communications Squadron
20th Army Airways Communications Squadron

African Airways Communications Area Headquarters
13th Army Airways Communications Squadron
18th Army Airways Communications Squadron
19th Army Airways Communications Squadron

South Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters
6th Army Airways Communications Squadron
9th Army Airways Communications Squadron
12th Army Airways Communications Squadron

North Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters
8th Army Airways Communications Squadron
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24th Army Airways Communications Squadron

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Wing Commanders for B-29 Program

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Chief of the Air Staff.

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General Arnold directed that no further action be taken at this time to supply Wing Commanders for the B-29 Program; however, stated that General Ent would be sent in here on Monday, Feb. 21st for conference with General Arnold on this subject.

BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U. S. A.
Chief of the Air Staff.

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VICE HARMON and CHAPMAN FOR B-29 WINGS:

From Mediterranean:	1.	BG ATKINSON, Joseph H.	CG 5th Bomb Wg, 15 AF
	2.	MG CANNON, John K.	CG 12th AF
	3.	BG BORN, Charles F.	Ass't Chief of Staff, A-3 15th AF
	4.	BG NORSTAD, Lauris	Ass't Chief of Staff, A-3 12th AF
From U.K.:	1.	MG ANDERSON, F. L.	Dep Cmdr for Operations, US Strategic Air Force in Europe
	2.	BG LEMAY, Curtis E.	CG 3rd Bomb Div., 8th AF
	3.	BG WILLIAMS, Rob't B.	CG 1st Bomb Div., 8th AF
From CBI:	1.	BG BEEBEE, Eugene H.	Air Advisor to Supreme Cmdr, SE Asia.

Recommend Brig Frank Armstrong
Col Harmon

Col Tommy Chapman take
Armstrong place.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Quartermaster Companies, Boat (Aviation)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated without change of assignment and reorganized and equipped in accordance with T/O and E 1-989, dated 18 December 1943, as indicated:

Present Designation	New Designation	Assigned to		STRENGTH Off	WO	EM
924th QM Co, Boat (Avn)	10th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sq	Eleventh Air Force	Admin Sect -	2	0	2
			12 Type I	24	24	96
			4 Type IV	0	4	12
			12 Type V	0	0	36
				26	28	146
925th QM Co, Boat (Avn)	11th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sq	Antilles Air Command	Admin Sect -	2	0	2
			5 Type I	10	10	40
			5 Type III	5	5	25
			13 Type IV	0	13	39
			7 Type V	0	0	21
				17	28	127
926th QM Co, Boat (Avn)	12th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sq	Sixth Air Force	Admin Sect -	2	0	2
			3 Type I	6	6	24
			3 Type III	3	3	15
			10 Type IV	0	10	30
			26 Type V	0	0	78
				11	19	150

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Personnel will be furnished by the theater commander when necessary with replenishment requisitioned in the normal manner. Such personnel as is rendered excess will be absorbed in other units under his control.

3. Equipment shortages will be requisitioned in the usual manner. Overages will be absorbed in theater stocks.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of reorganization.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Antilles Air Command
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
S-3, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with MAR request of ACAS, OCAA, Requirements, Emergency Rescue Branch, subject "Redesignation of Certain QM Boat (Avn) Units as AAF Rescue Boat Units", dated 3 January 1944, as amended by further comment #4, 18 March 1944, and letter from the Operations Division, W.D.G.S., 21 February 1944, same subject. The 926th QM Boat Co has received additional boats from time to time which increased the personnel beyond that which is shown for this Squadron in Troop Basis Division records. The strength of the 925th and 926th QM Boat Companies has been reduced because new T/O and E specifies fewer crews to man boats than was set up in the old T/O and E's. This reorganization is within allotment of personnel allocated to AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crews in the 1944 AAF Troop Basis. Reason: To bring units under new T/O and E with redesignation.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Quartermaster Companies, Boat (Avn)

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be redesignated without change of assignment and reorganized in accordance with T/O and E 1-989, dated 18 December 1943, as indicated:

Present Designation	New Designation	Assigned to		STRENGTH Off	EM	Ms
924th QM Co Boat (Avn)	10th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sq	Eleventh Air Force	Admin Sect -	2	0	2
			12 Type I	24	24	96
			4 Type IV	0	4	12
			12 Type V	0	0	36
				26	28	146
925th QM Co Boat (Avn)	11th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sq	Antilles Air Command	Admin Sect -	2	0	2
			5 Type I	10	10	40
			5 Type III	5	5	25
			13 Type IV	0	13	39
			7 Type V	0	0	21
				17	28	127
923th QM Co Boat (Avn)	12th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sq	Sixth Air Force	Admin Sect -	2	0	2
			3 Type I	6	6	24
			3 Type III	3	3	15
			10 Type IV	0	10	30
			26 Type V	0	0	78
				11	19	150
927th QM Co Boat (Avn) (Sp)	13th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sq	Seventh Air Force	Admin Sect -	2	0	2
			2 Type III	2	2	10
			5 Type IV	0	5	15
			11 Type V	0	0	33
				4	7	60
1001st QM Co Boat (Avn)	14th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Sq	Fifth Air Force	Admin Sect -	2	0	2
			3 Type V	0	0	9
				2	0	11

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

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2. Personnel will be furnished by the theater commander when necessary with replenishment requisitioned in the normal manner. Such personnel as is rendered excess will be absorbed in other units under his control.

3. Equipment will be supplied from theater stocks in accordance with T/O and E 1-989, 18 December 1943, with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner. Equipment overages will be absorbed in theater stocks.

4. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of reorganization.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
CINC, SWPA
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Antilles Air Command
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Mich.
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

[redacted]
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with M&R request of ACA, OC&R, Requirements, Emergency Rescue Branch, subject "Redesignation of Certain Q Boat (Avn) Units as AAF Rescue Boat Units", dated 3 January 1944, and is necessary to bring the designation of units into agreement with that employed in T/O and E 1-989.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation of Certain QM Gpo. Boat (Avn)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated, without change of strength of assignment:

Present Designation	New Designation	Assigned to
924th QM Co Boat (Avn)	10th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron	Eleventh Air Force
926th QM Co Boat (Avn)	11th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron	Antilles Air Command
926th QM Co Boat (Avn)	12th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron	Sixth Air Force
927th QM Co Boat (Avn)(SP)	13th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron	Seventh Air Force
1001st QM Co Boat (Avn)	14th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron	Fifth Air Force

1. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming this action.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Alaska Department
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Antilles Air Command
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
~~Commanding General, South Pacific Area~~ CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. [redacted]
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCES:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R request of ACAS, OCAR, Requirements, Emergency Rescue Branch, subject "Redesignation of Certain QM Boat (Avn) Units as AAF Rescue Boat Units", dated 3 January 1944, and is necessary to bring the designation of units into agreement with that employed in T/O and T 1-502.

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Control Units for Amphibious Operations

8 Feb 1944

Secretary of Air Staff

Asst C/AS, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements

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Four separate letters addressed respectively to the Commanding Generals, Ninth, Twelfth, Seventh, and Fifth Air Forces, subject as above, are attached for signature.

4 Attachments
As described

WILLIAM F. McKEE
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy Asst. Chief of Air Staff
Operations, Commitments & Requirements

TO: Air Adjutant General

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff

DATE 11 Feb 1944

COMMENT NO. 2

For dispatch.

M. A. LIBBY
Colonel, G.S.C.
Secretary, Air Staff

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Control Units for Amphibious Operations

Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
APO 925, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

1. There have recently been organized two units designed as Air Combat Control Squadrons, Amphibious. One of these units has been assigned to the European Theater of Operations and the other to the Mediterranean Theater of Operations.

2. The Air Combat Control Squadron, Amphibious, was designed to form a nucleus of highly trained and experienced key personnel to be used on board a Headquarters ship or provide the Air Commander with the means of control, in both offensive and defensive roles, of all aircraft available to him during the amphibious phases of an operation and prior to the movement of his Headquarters ashore. These units have been instructed in Army Air Forces doctrine for the employment of air power as set forth in Field Manual 100-20.

3. For your information, the unit consists of 11 officers and 46 men as follows:

Officers:	
Commanding Officer and Senior Controller	1
Assistant Controllers	6
Communications Officer	1
Filter Officers	3
Total Officers	11
Enlisted Men:	
Information Center Operators	32
Radar Operators	3
Radio Repairmen	6
Draftsmen	2
Administrative and Clerical	4
Total Enlisted Men	46

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In addition to the above, it is contemplated that two identification officers (movements liaison officers), one operations officer (combat pilot) with a clerk assistant and one "Y" team (consisting of one radio officer, VHF, and four Voice Interceptor enlisted men), will be attached to the unit on arrival in the theater.

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For the Commanding General

Barney M. Giles,
Major General, U. S. Army,
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Control Units for Amphibious Operations

Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
APO 650, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

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Coordination in Communications Activities

Management Control
Attn: General Gates
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Vandenberg)

4 Feb 1944

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WFB/ia/5458

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Attrition

Attrition Rates Now Being Utilised For Planning Purposes.

AC/AS, Plans, 21 Feb. 1944
AC/AS, Training,
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AC/AS, Personnel, HSV/gwd/5265
Chief, Management Control. (IN TURN)

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Attrition Rates NowBeing Utilized for Planning Purposes.

Deputy Chief of Air Staff, Brig. Gen. H. S. Vandenberg — 19 Feb 44

Management Control, Statistical Control Division — 7

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1. The historic loss rates of heavy bomb crews in all theaters have been 13.1% of effective U.S. (two-thirds of theater inventory of airplanes which have been the limiting factor) for the four months ending 31 Jan 1944.

2. This rate is 15.0% for Air Forces operating against the Germans and 7.0% for Air Forces operating against the Japs. Based on the deployment of 52 groups against Germany and 11 groups against Japan; a continuance of this loss rate would, when full unit equipment and reserves are reached, require 482 heavy bomb crews per month plus an additional 462 for returns or a total of 918 per month.

3. There seems to be little reason to expect increasing losses in operations against Japan. Against Germany the sortie effort may be expected to increase. It is unlikely that the rate can exceed 12 per month per unit aircraft since 2 days of maintenance are required per sortie. Maintenance time plus mission time equals three days which would therefore allow 10 sorties per month (based on U.S. planes). With full reserve of 80% this is equal to 15 sorties per month per U.S. plane. This assumes ideal weather conditions which makes the rate improbable and 12 appears the maximum. Should the 3% loss rate per sortie (the average for the past three months for the 8th Air Force) be continued and be experienced by the 15th Air Force, this would be a loss rate of 36% of U.S. per month and would require 302 loss replacement crews per month for the effort against the Germans plus 46 against Japan or a total of 348 losses per month.

4. As pointed out in the basic R&R, unless the box score falls sharply, such a loss rate would also mean destruction of the German fighter force. German fighter production is estimated at 856 per month from which must be deducted an estimated 100 per month non-combat losses and an equal number of losses on the Russian front, leaving 656 balance. In January we lost from all causes in the 8th and 15th Air Forces 296 heavy bombers and claimed 900 German fighters and miscellaneous types (known bombers excluded), certain and 184 probably. If our losses triple and this rate holds, there will be no German fighters after the second month.

5. For the above reasons it is recommended that future losses be estimated at no more than 20% of unit equipment against Germany (an increase of one-third over past experience) and 7% against Japan (the historic average) or 631 per month. This does not include returns to the U.S.

6. A production of 1,095 heavy bomb crews a month would provide a 42% margin for safety and/or returns to the U.S. Item 5, Comment 2, concurred in especially in view of Comment No. 6.

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Coordination of Trained Personnel Requirements

Deputy Chief of Air Staff, Brig. General H. S. Vandenberg 31 Jan 1944

AC/AS, Personnel, Military Personnel Division 1

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1. A meeting will be held at 10:00 AM, Tuesday, 1 February, in Room 4E 993, for the purpose of discussing and coordinating trained personnel requirements. In order to secure coordination prior to forwarding these requirements to the AC/AS, Training for necessary action, representatives of the following offices are invited to attend:

Deputy Chief of Air Staff, Brig. General H. S. Vandenberg
AC/AS, OCAR
AC/AS, Training
AC/AS, Plans
AC/AS, MMAD
Management Control

2. Trained personnel requirements to be discussed have been computed with the purpose in mind of keeping the technical school training program in gear with the planned reduction of Training Command overhead and student population. This reduction is necessary if the augmented B-29 Program and other special projects are met. The number of specialties to be school trained has been sharply reduced. If these trained personnel requirements as computed are approved, the effect will be the closing of a number of schools now operated by the Training Command. It is believed that discussion and necessary changes, if any, must be coordinated by all interested Headquarters' agencies in order to enable the AC/AS, Training to plan most effectively for the necessary reduction in student population and for the elimination of schools. This is also necessary to clarify future action to be taken in implementing the various special projects for which this office must supply personnel.

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Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief, Military Personnel Division

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Attrition Rates Now Being Utilized for Planning Purposes

Deputy Chief of Air Staff (Gen Vandenberg) FEB 5 1944

AC/AS, Plans

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1. In the conduct of our air war against Germany, it is believed that we should never accept the fact that the German Air Force will ever be entirely eliminated thus reducing our losses to a point where planned attrition will overflow to the extent mentioned in Comment No. 1.

2. Our ultimate deployment of heavy bombers to primarily strategic bombing of Germany will be fifty-six (56) groups. Present planned replacements for these groups based on a 50% replacement rate per month for crews requires 1344 crews per month. Personnel already in training will provide the required number of replacement crews for the next ten months.

3. For planning purposes, we must accept a date for the final defeat of Germany. Conservative estimates indicate that Germany will be defeated in the fall of this year.

4. As of the defeat of Germany, it is felt that our replacement rate for pilots should be reduced to 30% per month in all categories. Based on this rate, heavy crews produced per month should approximate 1095.

5. In view of the above, it is felt that immediate steps should be taken to reduce the input into our individual training schools to the number of individuals required to support our present replacement requirements less 56 x .20 x 48 = 538 heavy crews per month.

JOE L. LOUTZENHEISER
Colonel, G.S.C.
Chief, Opr Plans Div

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TO: AC/AS - Personnel
IN TURN AC/AS - Training - Management Control
FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Vandenberg)

DATE 9 Feb 1944
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For such comments as you desire to make on the foregoing R&Rs..

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Attrition Rates Now Being Utilized For Planning Purposes

ACAS/OC&R
ACAS/Personnel (IN TURN) 6 March 1944
XXXXX Chief, Management Control
Deputy Chief of Air Staff (General Vandenberg) 10
Lt. Col. Herzog/dw/71051

FROM: ACAS/Training

1. Considering the length of time that individuals are in training, it is most important that any change in training requirements as a result of change in attrition be supplied to this office as soon as possible.

ROBERT W. HARPER,
Brigadier General, U.S. Army,
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training

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TO: Deputy Chief of Air Staff (General Vandenberg) 11 March 1944

From: AC/AS, Operations, Commitments and Requirements Comment No. 11
Col. Ladd/lh/71974

1. The preceding comments have developed two points as follows:

a. Decreased staff planning factors.

Revised factors were recommended by staff study, subject: "Staff Planning Factors" dated 8 March 1944, presented to the Chief of Air Staff on 10 March 1944 and tentatively approved by him.

b. Additional heavy bombardment airplanes for training.

An RAR providing B-17 airplanes to overseas theatres at full staff attrition but limiting the reserve, to the presently attained 45% instead of the authorized 50% was implemented 7 March 1944. This action has eased the heavy bomber shortage in training.

2. In view of the above action it is recommended these papers now be sent to the Air Adjutant General for file.

Program Control _____

Kenneth P. Bergquist
Colonel, Air Corps
Executive, Asst Chief of Air Staff
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AC/AS, Plans. (Attention: General Kuter) 2 Feb. 1944

Deputy Chief of Air Staff (General Vandenberg)

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1. Continuing the discussion we had at lunch today, I am greatly concerned over the attrition rates now being utilized for planning purposes.

2. We are set up to turn out about sixteen hundred (1600) heavy bomber crews per month. Now scheduled for operations against the German Air Force are approximately sixty-two percent of our total heavy units. Sixty-two percent of our sixteen hundred (1600) means that we shall have to lose in the neighborhood of one thousand (1000) crews each month, and since the losses from other theatres are based upon lower attrition rates, we shall have to increase the losses in the U.K. to some figure even above that, in order to keep the troop basis from overflowing.

3. If every heavy bomber shot down averages two German fighters accounted for this would mean that the German Air Force would be dissipated in approximately five months, even if no further damage was accomplished agaist their factories, which with this force seems incredible. Then, a six months period for readjustment to another theatre, with crews piling up, together with a lower attrition rate in that new theatre. Add to this the fifty percent returned crews and it gets terrifying. Or does it?

4. While the above figures and calculations are very rough, and omit many other pertinent items that must be considered, I nevertheless feel that we are not on very sound ground, and I suggest that a further inquiry be initiated with a view to further reducing the pilot and combat crew output rate somewhere along the line. I would appreciate your comments.

HOYT S. VANDENBERG,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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IN TURN AC/AS - Training - Management Control
FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Vandenberg)

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Immediate Reduction in AAF Strength by About 100,000.

Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments & Requirements — 30 January 1944

Chief of the Air Staff.

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1. A proposal has been advanced wherein the actual strength of the Army Air Forces may be reduced by about 100,000 forthwith. This reduction would not be a bookkeeping transaction but would represent the actual immediate loss of 100,000 men.

2. As a matter of urgency it is directed that a study be prepared covering the action that would be necessary if such a reduction were directed forthwith and the implications thereof. This study will not be approached from a negative viewpoint.

3. If the reduction under discussion is ordered it is believed that it will be accompanied by War Department assurance that our monthly intake will be stepped up in order to restore the AAF strength to the authorized troop basis number by July 1, 1944. The net effect upon us of this action would appear to be to force the reductions in strength that were contemplated in connection with the B-29 Program at earlier dates than were set up in that program. This action would also appear to offer a possibility of improving the quality of personnel in the AAF by 100,000 individuals who may have lower qualifications than those of the average inductee between this date and July 1st.

4. It is suggested that this reduction in strength might be cushioned by the following actions:

a. A reduction in the strength of AAF station complements to the proportions made available by the ASF at AGF stations;

b. A reduction in the strength of ATC units and a proportionate reduction in the provision of comforts to air passengers;

c. A reduction in the number and strength of aviation squadrons;

d. A reduction in the strength at AFTRC.

5. It is desired that the actions necessary to meet this reduction in strength be listed separately. That each action indicate the number of men which it would relieve and that the implications of each action be clearly stated.

6. Reply is desired on Wednesday, February 2nd.

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L. S. KUTER,
Brigadier General, U. S. A.,
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Chief of the Air Staff.

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1. A proposal has been advanced wherein the actual strength of the Army Air Forces may be reduced by about 100,000 forthwith. This reduction would not be a bookkeeping transaction but would represent the actual immediate loss of 100,000 men.

2. As a matter of urgency it is directed that a study be prepared covering the action that would be necessary if such a reduction were directed forthwith and the implications thereof. This study will not be approached from a negative viewpoint.

3. If the reduction under discussion is ordered it is believed that it will be accompanied by War Department assurance that our monthly intake will be stepped up in order to restore the AAF strength to the authorized troop basis number by July 1, 1944. The net effect upon us of this action would appear to be to force the reductions in strength that were contemplated in connection with the B-29 Program at earlier dates than were set up in that program. This action would also appear to offer a possibility of improving the quality of personnel in the AAF by 100,000 individuals who may have lower qualifications than those of the average inductee between this date and July 1st.

4. It is suggested that this reduction in strength might be cushioned by the following actions:

a. A reduction in the strength of AAF station complements to the proportions made available by the ASF at AGF stations;

b. A reduction in the strength of ATC units and a proportionate reduction in the provision of comforts to air passengers;

c. A reduction in the number and strength of aviation squadrons;

d. A reduction in the strength at AFTTC.

5. It is desired that the actions necessary to meet this reduction in strength be listed separately. That each action indicate the number of men which it would relieve and that the implications of each action be clearly stated.

6. Reply is desired on Wednesday, February 2nd.

L. S. KUTER,
Brigadier General, U. S. A.,
Acting Chief of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment of Headquarters, Central Air Defense Region.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Headquarters, Central Air Defense Region, stationed at Fort Brady, Michigan, be disbanded by the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command, effective as of 15 January 1944 or at the earliest practicable date thereafter, and all personnel thereof transferred to and absorbed in other units under the control of the Commanding General, First Air Force.

1. Surplus non-controlled items of equipment resulting from this disbandment will be turned in to the local station supply officer, and surplus controlled items of equipment will be reported to the proper Chiefs of Technical Services for instructions as to disposition.

2. This action will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

3. Direct communication between Commands concerned is authorized.

4. Twenty (20) copies of the disbandment order issued by the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

5. When disbandment has been completed, a report will be submitted to The Adjutant General, and copies furnished the Service Commander concerned and the Commanding Officer, Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, without delay.

6. Obligate the appropriate allotments published in Section VI, Circular #129, WD, 1 June 1943, to the extent necessary.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, N.Y.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces

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Chief or Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Corps of Engineers
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center,
Detroit, Michigan
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HERRITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCE:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on request from AC/AS, OC&R, (Fighter and Air Defense Brandh) by R&R, dated 15 January 1944, subject: "Disbandment of the Headquarters Central Air Defense Region," based on secret letter, War Department, AG 323.31 (27 Dec 43) OR-S-E, dated 8 January 1944, subject: "Defense Commands in Continental United States - Changes." Lt. Colonel Meals, OPD, WDGS, has informally concurred in this action, and states that formal concurrence is not necessary. In view of the provisions of paragraph 8 of the War Department Letter referred to, this paper is being sent through the Commanding General, Army Service Forces, for formal concurrence.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

29 JAN 1944

Subject: Allotment of Chaplains-at-Large (Foreign)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That an allotment of Chaplains-at-large (Foreign), be authorized as indicated below:

Command or Air Force	Total Authorized Officer Strength
Fifth Air Force	19
Sixth Air Force	0
Seventh Air Force	4
Eighth & Ninth Air Forces	30
Tenth & Fourteenth Air Forces	10
Eleventh Air Force	1
Thirteenth Air Force	7
Twelfth & Fifteenth Air Forces	16
Overseas Total	87

1. Total authorized allotment of Chaplains-at-large will be eighty-seven (87) officers. Grades are authorized in accordance with the attached inclosure.

2. This allotment rescinds all previous allotments of Chaplains-at-large (Foreign) for Commands or Air Forces above named.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces, Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
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Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India (Forward Echelon)
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India (Rear Echelon)
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theatre of Operations
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. M. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCES:
OPD, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested by R&R, dated 12 January 1944 from AC/AS, Personnel-Air Chaplain Division, Subject: "Allocation of Chaplains-At-Large" and is on the basis of needs which have come to the attention of the Air Chaplain Division since the present Army Air Forces Foreign Troop Basis was setup. Personnel will be within the AAF approved Troop Basis.

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ALLOTMENT OF GRADES FOR CHAPLAINS-AT-LARGE
(FOREIGN)

	Majors	Captains	Total
Fifth Air Force	2	17	19
Sixth Air Force	0	0	0
Seventh Air Force	0	4	4
Eighth & Ninth Air Forces	16	14	30
Tenth & Fourteenth Air Forces	0	10	10
Eleventh Air Force	0	1	1
Twelfth & Fifteenth Air Forces	4	12	16
Thirteenth Air Force	0	7	7
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Very Heavy Bombardment Program

Asst C/AS, Personnel

27 Jan 1944

Chief of Air Staff

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1. It will be your responsibility to obtain the personnel required for combat and training units of the Very Heavy Bombardment Program in accordance with the plan submitted on 18 January and now approved. (Copy attached)

2. It is desired that you take immediate action to determine the availability of such personnel from sources within and without the United States; and to schedule the flow thereof into the Very Heavy Bombardment Program at rates, and in quantities and categories, sufficient to meet the requirements established by the Assistant Chiefs of Air Staff, OC&R and Training.

3. Meanwhile, I would like to have, as soon as possible, the most accurate information you can give me as to:

a. The number of combat-experienced personnel that are now available for this program in the United States.

b. The number that will be available by month during 1944 from personnel returning from overseas theaters.

c. The proportion of combat-experienced officers and men that will be provided by a. and b. above in each of the very heavy groups called for by the present program.

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L. S. KUTER,
Brig. General, U. S. A.
Acting Chief of Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2:

Subject: Photo Reconnaissance Squadrons

1. Reference is made to memorandum, subject as above, dated 12 January 1944. The present Army Air Forces Reconnaissance Program provides for the movement to theaters of three (3) Combat Mapping Squadrons (4-Engine) and two (2) Combat Mapping Squadrons (2-Engine). These 4-Engine units are now receiving initial equipment of aircraft and are expected to move to staging area by flights starting 25 January 1944. Two (2) 2-Engine units in North African Theater are in process of being reorganized and re-equipped, based upon availability of Mosquito aircraft being obtained from the British.

2. One (1) Photographic Squadron, equipped with B-17 aircraft, was committed to the European Theater of Operations July, 1943. The Theater Commander, after consultation with members of his staff, nonconcurred in the commitment of this squadron, the F-5 aircraft producing satisfactory photography for mapping purposes. The Theater Commander, European Theater of Operations, CM-IN Cable No. 12644 of 19 January 1944 states that present plans are to provide a Weather Squadron as a separate unit within the theater. It is planned that the 7th Photographic Group will be entirely equipped with F-5 type aircraft for each of the four (4) squadrons assigned.

3. The present Reconnaissance Program providing for the deployment of twenty-four (24) Photo Reconnaissance Squadrons equipped with F-5 type (modified P-38) aircraft is scheduled for completion 1 December 1944. This program is based upon the minimum requirements of the various theaters and no additional units are authorized in the Air Force Troop Basis. Based on present production and allocation of P-38 aircraft to Reconnaissance units, it is believed that this program will be met.

4. A series of meetings of the Aerial Mapping Committee, including representatives from the Navy Department and the Marine Corps, have been held for the purpose of coordinating and planning the future mapping

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requirements of the Armed Forces. The number of units and aircraft required to complete this proposed program will be computed and balanced against the various photographic units of the Air Force, Navy, and Marine Corps as presently deployed.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

HOYT S. VANDENBERG
Brig. General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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Photo Reconnaissance Squadrons.

Secretary of Air Staff

25 Jan 1944

AC/AS Operations, Commitments & Requirements

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1. A Memorandum for the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, subject as above, is attached for signature.

WILLIAM F. McKEE,
Colonel, Air Corps.

1 Incl. Proposed Memo to A/CS G-2
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Utilization of Manpower Based on Physical Capacity

Secretary of Air Staff — 19 Jan 44

Manpower Division, Management Control — 3

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The attached copy of directive distributed by the Adjutant General is brought to your attention in view of the similar directive received by the Army Air Forces from the Chief of Staff, answers to which were prepared by AC/AS, Personnel and sent to the Chief of the Air Staff for approval. It is not believed necessary that this office take separate and duplicating action in this matter and the file is sent for your attention in order that you may be acquainted with the separate AGO action.

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ALVIN R. GUYLER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Manpower Division

TO: Chief, Management Control - Manpower Division.

DATE 21 January 44

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff.

COMMENT NO. 4
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1. Noted and returned.

2. It appears that the Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Personnel is taking the necessary action.

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MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.;
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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17 January 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF AIR STAFF (General Vandenberg)

Subject: Reduction of Permanent Party Personnel of Training Command.

I. Discussion

1. The present authorized enlisted strength of the Army Air Forces Training Command is 338,166. The actual strength of this Command is 325,453 as of 31 December 1943. The shortage of 13,000 enlisted men is the Training Command's pro rata share of the overall 30,000 shortage now existing in the Army Air Forces.

2. The Army Air Forces Troop Basis calls for a reduction in the overhead enlisted strength in this Command to 250,000 as of 31 December 1944, or a reduction of approximately 75,000 enlisted men of their now actual strength. It is proposed to reduce this Command as follows:

January	-	15,000
February	-	10,000
March	-	10,000
April	-	10,000
May	-	10,000
June	-	10,000
July	-	10,000
TOTAL		75,000

This is a reduction of 75,000 enlisted men in the actual overhead strength and is a reduction in the authorized strength of 88,000

3. This 75,000 cut is the personnel presently scheduled for the Very Heavy Bomb Program recently approved by the Deputy Chief of Staff, General McNarney.

II. Recommendations.

It is recommended that the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Training Command be directed to make the cuts in overhead strength as indicated above.

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Assistant Chief of Air Staff, OC&R
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel
Chief, Management Control

ROBERT W. HARPER
Brigadier General, U.S.Army
Assistant Chief of Air Staff,
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15 JAN 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Troop Basis for Air Forces, European Theater of Operations (less Iceland Base Command).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Section II of Inclosure 2 to letter AG 320.2 (3 Nov 43) OR-I-E-N, dated 8 November 1943, subject as above, be amended to authorize activation of the 878th Sig Co Depot, Avn (#2 Radar Maintenance Teams) and 879th Sig Co Depot, Avn (#2 Radar Maintenance Teams) in January 1944 instead of in "February 1944," and to authorize activation of the 204th through the 223d (inclusive) Medical Dispensaries, Avn (RS) in February 1944 instead of in "March 1944".

II. That the Commanding General, European Theater of Operations be notified of this action by radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCE:

OPD, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on request by RAMs from ASAS, OC&R, Theater Commitment & Implementation Branch, by RAR, dated 11 Jan 44, subject: "Acceleration of Activation Date of 878th and 879th Signal Depot Cos (Avn)," based on request from the Theater Commander, ETO (reference Cable No. 2018, dated 8 January 1944, CG, ETO, London), and by RAR, dated 10 Jan 44, subject: "Acceleration of Activation Date of Certain Medical Dispensaries, Aviation (RS)," based on request from the Commanding General, ETO, for the acceleration on the basis that sufficient personnel are now in the Theater. OPD, WDGS (Col. Pickle) has informally concurred in the acceleration of the activation dates for the units concerned.

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Heavy Bombardment Group Formed from OTU-RTU Instructors.

Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Training. 19 Jan. 1944

Deputy Chief of Air Staff. (General Vandenberg) 1

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1. The recommendations contained in paragraph 2c of the attached memorandum are approved.

2. General Arnold was informed on his last visit to Blythe, California, that all of the members of the 34th Bombardment Group, Heavy, had originally been scheduled for active service and that after getting all pepped up about this, the order was re-scinded. His comments in general were that a bad morale situation is bound to exist when such instructions are issued, due to the extreme interest of all young pilots in going overseas. In future, General Arnold directs that all such changes be held to an absolute minimum.

HOYT S. VANDENBERG,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

Incl:
Memo, dtd. 1/13/44, frm. AC/AS, Training to AFDAS, above subject, w/1 Incl. as listed.

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MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY CHIEF OF AIR STAFF:

Subject: Heavy Bombardment Group Formed from OTU-RTU Instructors

1. In reference to the attached copy of TWX from General Arnold, the 34th Bombardment Group (H) B-24, Blythe, California, was redesignated as an OTU group and started training, on order of the Second Air Force, in January 1944 for commitment overseas on or about 1 April 1944.

2. In view of:

a. The present shortage of instructor personnel

b. The necessity for retaining the Army Air Base, Blythe, California as a combat crew training school with a resultant requirement for instructor personnel for proper supervision of training, and

c. The increasing requirement for combat crew replacement (approximately 600 crews in December 1943, to be increased to an estimated 1600 crews in June 1944), it is recommended that instructor personnel be utilized in the proportion indicated below (approximately 23%) in order to avoid lowering of the experience level of the training establishments to a serious degree which in turn would lower the quality of supervision of replacement crew training. It is recommended that manning of the 34th Bombardment Group be as follows:

16 experienced instructor crews (which will provide a well trained, experienced crew to serve as flight leaders)

16 graduate crews of the Second Air Force's flight leader development program

38 new crews to complete the manning of the group

3. It is felt that if this method is approved, it will approximate General Arnold's desires with the least possible adverse effect on the training establishment.

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ROBERT W. HARPER
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Asst C/AS, Training

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Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Training. **19 Jan. 1944**

Deputy Chief of Air Staff. (General Vandenberg)

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TO CG AAF WASHINGTON D C ATTENTION GEN HARPER

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I AM GREATLY INTERESTED IN HAVING A HEAVY BOMB GROUP FORMED FROM INSTRUCTORS IN O.T.U OR RTU PD BELIEVE IT WOULD NOT ONLY BE BENEFICIAL TO MORALE OF SCHOOLS BUT IT WOULD ALSO GIVE US AN OPPORTUNITY TO DETERMINE EFFECTIVENESS OF SUCH AN OUTFIT PD THE THREE FOUR GROUP AT BLYTHE IS READY TO START TRAINING AS SUCH A GROUP PD THE COMDG OFFICER BLYTHE CAN SPARE PERSONNEL AND IS ENTHUSIASTIC OVER POSSIBILITIES DASH LETS GIVE THEM A CHANCE PD

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Reorganization Plan of IV Fighter Command

Secretary of Air Staff

13 Jan 1944

Asst C/AS, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

15 JAN 1944

Subject: Transfer, less personnel and equipment, of the Ground Echelon of the 494th Bombardment Group (Hv)

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the ground echelon of the following units be transferred, less personnel and equipment, to the control of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Tactical Center, manned and reorganized by him, effective 15 January 1944, as indicated:

	T/O & E
Hq. 494th Bombardment Group (Hv)	1-112, 26 March 1943, and Change #1
864th Bombardment Sq (Hv)	1-117, 26 March 1943, and Changes #1, #3, #5 and #4
865th Bombardment Sq (Hv)	
866th Bombardment Sq (Hv)	
867th Bombardment Sq (Hv)	

2. A minimum of one-half of the number of individuals required by these units will be taken from among qualified personnel of the 9th Bombardment Group (Hv) ground echelon, the remainder to be obtained from other sources under the control of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Tactical Center.

3. As soon as reorganization and manning have been effected, these units will be returned to the control of the Second Air Force and to their permanent station at Wendover Field. Movement of units to permanent station will be made in accordance with the provisions of Letter Headquarters, Army Air Forces, file AAF 35-26, 26 November 1943, subject: "Movement of Units within the Continental Limits of the United States."

4. These units will be furnished individual equipment only.

5. Personnel now in the ground echelon at Wendover Field, Utah, will be absorbed in other units under the control of the Commanding General, Second Air Force.

6. Twenty (20) copies of the order issued by the Commander concerned pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

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6. When action has been completed, a report will be submitted by letter to The Adjutant General of the Army, furnished the Service Commander concerned and the Commanding Officer, Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, without delay.

7. Obligate the appropriate allotments published in Section VI, Circular No. 129, WD, 1 June 1943, to the extent necessary.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Tactical Center
Commanding Officer, 18th Statistical Control Unit, Orlando, Florida
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Colorado Springs, Colo.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Corps of Engineers
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Signed
H. M. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCE:
1. G-3, WDGS ( )
2. OPD, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with RAR request from ACAS, OCAR, Requirements Division, subject: "Transfer of 9th Bomb Group (H) from AAFTAC to Second AF", dated 20 December 1943, and involves no change in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis. Reason: To provide personnel for the 494th Bombardment Group (H) in time for overseas commitment. One-half personnel at AAFTAC to be provided by the 9th Bomb Group (H) at AAFTAC and one-half from other personnel available to AAFTAC. This paper is classified CONFIDENTIAL because of this memorandum for record, but publication should be RESTRICTED.

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14 JAN 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reorganization of the 10th Airways Communication Squadron

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 10th Airways Communication Squadron be reorganized and equipped by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing at the earliest practicable date, in accordance with T/O & E 1-417, dated 6 August 1943 and Change #1, dated 1 September 1943, to operate Regional Control Headquarters and Squadron Headquarters in addition to stations, sections and message centers, as follows:

Communications	Total Authorized Strength		
	Off	WO	EM
Class A Stations 17			
Class C Stations 3			
Class D Stations 21	135	1	1393
Class E Stations 1			
Class T Stations 9			
Class X Stations 100			

Cryptographic

Class I Sections..... 5
Class II Sections 14
Message Centers 10

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India,
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Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India,
Forward Echelon
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, India-China Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center,
Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCES:
OPD, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R, dated 21 Dec 43, from Air Communications Officer, Communications Systems Division, Subject: "Reorganization of the 10th Airways Communications Squadron" and is necessary to provide additional personnel and equipment so adequate communication service can be furnished in accordance with requirements of the theater commanders. The reorganization is an increase of 77 officers and 819 enlisted men. Copy of station lists and correspondence is furnished for OPD's information. Attention is invited to approval by the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India. Personnel will be within the Troop Basis and within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, OPERATIONS DIVISION:

Subject: Authorized Combat Crew Strength.

1. In compliance with memorandum for the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, same subject as above, dated 1 January 1944 from War Department General Staff, copy attached as Tab A, a study has been made to determine the minimum number of combat crews per unit equipment aircraft.

2. Based upon information from the theater, combat crews are the most critical limitation to the optimum operation of available aircraft. Other items are spare engines and parts, ammunition and bombs, and aviation fuel, none of which approach combat crews as critical limitations to aircraft operation.

3. Reference Tab B, recent experience shows that the following percentages of combat crews in three theaters were available to fly combat missions:

Heavy Bombardment	49.2%
Medium and light bombardment	53.2%
Fighter and Fighter-Bomber	64.8%

4. Reference Tab C, experience shows that a planning factor of 75% unit equipment aircraft available for combat missions is not excessive.

5. Reference Tab D, there must then be the following numbers of combat crews per unit equipment aircraft in the theater to fly available aircraft:

Heavy Bombardment	1.52
Medium and light bombardment	1.4
Fighter and Fighter-Bomber	1.15

6. But combat flying is being made more strenuous because:

a. The number of missions is increasing
b. Penetration into enemy defended territory is becoming deeper and more frequent
c. Length of missions is increasing

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Subject: Authorized Combat Crew Strength.

More strenuous combat flying results in a greater proportion of combat crews in the theater being unavailable for missions because of wounds, sickness, and pass. Therefore a very minimum of one-fourth additional crews per unit equipment aircraft must be in the theater.

Heavy Bombardment	1.52 times 1.25 equals	1.90 crews
Medium and light bombardment	1.4 times 1.25 equals	1.75 crews
Fighter and Fighter-Bomber	1.15 times 1.25 equals	1.44 crews

7. Recommend that the following minimum numbers of combat crews per unit equipment aircraft be used as planning factors by all War Department agencies:

a.	Very heavy and heavy bombardment	2
b.	Medium and light bombardment	1½
c.	Fighter	1½
d.	Night Fighter	1
e.	Reconnaissance	1
f.	Troop Carrier	2

8. At a conference in the office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, 6 January 1944, attended by representatives of this Headquarters, the above matter was discussed in detail. General McNarney indicated his approval of the figures given in paragraph 7 above.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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L. S. KUTER,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Chief of Air Staff

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TAB A

OPD 320.2 (1 Jan. 1944) 1 January 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Authorized Combat Crew Strength.

In view of the current manpower situation, and your recent request for an increase in the Army Air Force Troop Basis, it is desired that a study be submitted in consonance with our experience to date, with a view to determining the minimum number of combat crews per unit equipment aircraft in each theater required to insure the optimum operation of that aircraft within the limitations imposed by other considerations.

By direction of the Chief of Staff:

THOS T. HANDY,
Major General
Assistant Chief of Staff.

/s/ J. E. UPSTON
J. E. UPSTON
Brigadier General,
Deputy Chief, Theater Group, OPD, G.S.

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PERCENT OF CREWS AVAILABLE BY THEATER
(Shown by total of crew-weeks)

	Total Crew-weeks in Theater	Total Crew-weeks Assigned Main	Total Crew-weeks in Main Available	% of Tote in Theater
U. K.: (13 Nov - 11 Dec)				
Heavy Bomber	8,928	7,059	3,549	39.8
Med. & Light Bomber	2,273	1,693	1,249	54.9
Fighter & Fighter Bomb.	6,899	5,721	3,413	49.5
MAAF: (7 Nov - 29 Dec)				
Heavy Bomber	2,196	2,140	1,798	81.9
Med. & Light Bomber	4,328	3,848	2,199	50.8
Fighter & Fighter Bomb.	11,546	10,812	8,146	70.6
SOUTH PACIFIC (7 Nov - 12 Dec)				
Heavy Bomber	600	583	417	69.5
Med. & Light Bomber	573	450	367	64.0
Fighter & Fighter Bomb.	2,002	1,960	1,696	84.7
TOTAL - 3 THEATERS				
Heavy Bomber	11,724	9,782	5,764	49.2
Med. & Light Bomber	7,174	5,991	3,815	53.2
Fighter & Fighter Bomb.	20,447	18,493	13,255	64.8

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PERCENT U.S. READY AND MAINTENANCE RESERVE

IN

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Theater	No. of Planes In Theater	Total U.S. (Authorized)	Total Planes With Units Ready	% U.S. Ready	% Maintenance Reserve (Based on U.S.)
UK (13 Nov - 11 Dec)					
H/B	1,436	856	748	87.4	65.4
H/B & L/B	473	228	226	99.1	107.4
Ftr & Ftr/B	1,535	990	562	56.8	55.1
MAAF (7 Nov - 19 Dec)					
H/B	386	262	210	80.2	48.1
H/B & L/B	739	456	421	92.3	62.1
Ftr & Ftr/B	1,430	1,123	812	72.3	27.3
SOUTH PACIFIC (7 Nov - 12 Dec)					
H/B	144	70	96	137.1	105.7
H/B & L/B	74	37	44	77.2	29.8
Ftr & Ftr/B	254	154	127	82.5	64.9
TOTAL - ALL THEATERS					
H/B	1,968	1,188	1,054	88.7	64.0
H/B & L/B	1,286	741	691	93.3	73.5
Ftr & Ftr/B	3,219	2,267	1,501	66.2	42.0

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The percent of crews available times the total number of crews in the theater must equal the number of aircraft available (75% of unit equipment planned) in the theater.

Heavy Bombardment

49.3% times x equals 75% times 48
x equals 73 crews required in theater
or 1.52 crews per unit equipment aircraft

Medium and Light Bombardment

53.2% times x equals 75% times 57
x equals 80
or 1.4 crews per unit equipment aircraft

Fighter

44.8% times x equals 75% times 75
x equals 86
or 1.15 crews per unit equipment aircraft

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11 JAN 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Inactivation of the 18th Combat Mapping Squadron (4-Engine)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That notice be given by restricted directive that the Air Echelon, 18th Combat Mapping Squadron (4-Engine) be inactivated at Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, effective 15 January 1944 with personnel and equipment to be absorbed in other units of the Third Air Force.

1. Twenty copies of the inactivation order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That notice be given by secret directive that the Ground Echelon, 18th Combat Mapping Squadron (4-Engine) be inactivated at the earliest practicable date with personnel and equipment to be absorbed in other units of the Thirteenth Air Force with excess photographic personnel and equipment, if any, to be assigned to units under the control of the Commanding General, Seventh Air Force.

1. Date of inactivation will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

2. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular 129, dated 1 June 1943.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces

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Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCE:
OPD, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R from AC/AS, OC&R, Requirements Division (Reconnaissance & Photographic Branch), subject: "15th Combat Mapping Squadron", dated 3 January 1944 and concurred in informally by OPD and Theater Commanders concerned. Reason: Type of aircraft in squadron not satisfactory in theater involved.

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Secretary of the Air Staff 1 Jan 1944

Asst C/AS, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements

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1. Attached first indorsement with accompanying papers forwarded for signature.

2. Attention is invited to paragraph 2 of first indorsement, this Headquarters. Recommend that a check be made to insure that the comments and recommendations of this Headquarters with reference to Part III of the proposed plan have been submitted to the War Department before this correspondence is forwarded to the Commanding General, First Air Force.

1 Attach
Ltr fr First AF, 7 Dec 43, subj "Reorganization of the I Fighter Command for More Effective Conduct of the Training and Defense Missions of the First Air Force", w/1st ind (proposed)

M. A. GRAIG
Brigadier General, U. S. A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

(Attention: A.C. of S. G-3)

Subject: Implementation of the B-29 Program within the present strength of the Army Air Forces.

I. Discussion.

1. The implementation of the B-29 program calls for an increase in the 31 December 1944 Army Air Forces Troop Basis of 130,000 officers, warrant officers, and enlisted men.

2. Some part of this increase can be offset by decreasing the quiet theatres as follows:

	Off.	W.O.	E.M.
Sixth Air Force (see Tab A)	548	18	2725
Antilles Air Command (see Tab B)	816	16	4149
Seventh Air Force (see Tab C)		None	
Eleventh Air Force (see Tab D)	63		638
North Atlantic Bases (see Tab E)	17	4	319
Total	1444	38	7831

However in all instances the present authorized strength in units of these Air Forces and Commands is the requirements of the theatre as expressed by the Operational Plans Division, War Department General Staff.

3. Recent decision that unit equipment of groups will be

Heavy Bombardment	48
Medium and Light Bombardment	57
Fighter (except those now at 100)	75
Troop Carrier	64

results in a saving of approximately 6,000. This is more than offset by an error in the G-3 proposed troop basis which inadvertantly omits the double crews for heavy bombardment above the 35 unit equipment stage. This equals 10,400 officers and men.

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4. The Zone of Interior establishments of the Army Air Forces have been authorized personnel as follows:

		Off.	W.O.	E.M.
Continental Overhead	31 Oct. 1943	129,785	4340	779,449
Continental Overhead as recommended by G-3	31 Dec. 1943	122,709	3925	739,179
	30 June 1944	119,026	3723	699,876
	31 Dec. 1944	107,509	3087	584,984
This results in the following cumulative reductions:				
	31 Dec. 1943	7,076	415	40,270
	30 June 1944	10,759	617	109,573
	31 Dec. 1944	22,276	1253	194,465

This reduction requires that the Aircraft Warning Service of the Defense Commands be reduced to practically zero, that all units be bulked under exact manning tables and that the training establishment of the Army Air Forces be reduced to the absolute minimum required to produce replacements.

5. This is the personnel that must be retained within the Army Air Forces if, under the present strategic situation, the implementation of the B-29 program is to be accomplished within the personnel now assigned to the Army Air Forces.

6. In the processing of the proposed Army Air Forces Troop Basis a long series of conferences were held and it is believed that all possible reductions were made. Further reductions in continental commands can only be made by reducing the assigned mission of these Air Forces and Commands.

II Action recommended.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces for 31 December 1944 as set forth in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis proposed by Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, War Department General Staff be increased by 130,767.

2. A study be made with a view to reducing the quiet theaters as indicated in paragraph 2 and when approved the Army Air Forces Troop Basis be reduced accordingly.

Incls
Tabs A,B,C,D, & E.

H. H. ARNOLD
General, U.S.A.
Commanding General, A.A.F.

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X Information

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1. In any consideration of the Air Defense mission of the Continental Defense Commands and Air Forces, it is believed important to give recognition to the fact that, regardless of the means available, no air defense system can be entirely effective without rigid control of flying in order to obtain identification of all aircraft flying within the defended areas. Such control would require restrictions on flying training to an extent that would seriously interfere with such training. It is not believed that this fact is taken into consideration by the Eastern Defense Command in Paragraphs 2b (1), (2) and (3) of 1st Indorsement in which the reasons are stated for their objection to the plan proposed by the I Fighter Command.

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2. The recent change from Category of Defense B to A by the Joint Chiefs of Staff has recognized that it is not within the enemy's capabilities to conduct mass raids in force against targets in our coastal areas. Experience in both Germany and England has demonstrated that it is practically impossible, even with a fully manned and battle-tested air defense system, to repel sporadic, isolated raids.

3. The current AAF Troop Basis does not provide sufficient personnel to establish training units in the radar installations of the Atlantic Coast over and above those now allotted to the First Air Force. It is understood that a further reduction in the Aircraft Warning Troop Basis is contemplated. For this reason, it is believed that the proposal of the I Fighter Command to take out of operations the final stations below Station No. 15 at Fort Davis, North Carolina, presents the only sound solution to the problem, providing the stations are maintained for housekeeping and security.

4. By Disposition Form to OPD dated 7 December 1943, subject "Status of Ground Radar System in Eastern Defense Command," the Commanding General, Army Air Forces recommended that construction on twenty-four stations that are completed or substantially completed should be approved for completion. This would include Stations 14, 18, 21, 22, 23 and 25 which are all south of Station No. 15 at Fort Davis. It is believed that these stations should be completed but manned for housekeeping and security only.

5. The Navy has been endeavoring for some time to have the present restrictions on flying lifted. If they require an active air defense of the Charleston, South Carolina and Jacksonville, Florida areas, the stations at Fort Moultrie, South Carolina and Mayport, Florida can be operated on a 24-hour basis, at the expense of the Vital Defense Areas, but rigid control of all flying within the radar coverage of these stations would necessarily have to be imposed to provide an effective defense. Such coverage could be as a minimum to protect the flanks of the vital installations and provide landward early-warning.

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6. Action recommended:

a. That necessary action be taken to redefine the Category of Defense A, as set forth in War Department radio #4450 of 30 October 1943.

(1) To relieve the Defense Commands of responsibility for defense against isolated raids.

(2) Eliminate the requirement for a "fully" organized command and Aircraft Warning system.

(3) Charge them only with such defense as is practicable within the means available to them, without interference with training.

b. That the plan for reorganization of the I Fighter Command as set forth in inclosure to basic letter be approved except:

(1) That in order to comply with existing directives, all fixed radar installations in the Eastern Defense Command will be "on an alert status operated at intervals" pending completion of action recommended in paragraph 6 a above.

(2) That, on completion of action recommended in paragraph 6 a above, the Eastern Defense Command and the First Air Force will be relieved of the responsibility for providing an aircraft warning service in the area south of Station No. 15, Fort Davis, North Carolina and all fixed stations within that area will not be inactivated but will be manned for housekeeping and security only.

(3) The hours of operation of the aircraft warning service will be at intervals and not routine, such as from 0900 to 1700, as proposed.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
Barney M. Giles,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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TO: Secretary of the Air Staff DATE 21 December 1943

FROM: Asst C/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements COMMENT NO. 2
Maj Holbrook/hmb/71547

Forwarded for approval and signature.

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WILLIAM F. McKEE
Colonel, Air Corps

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TO: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff. (General Vandenberg) DATE 29 DEC 1943

FROM: AC/AS, Plans COMMENT NO. 2
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1. Recommend the attached disposition form "Reorganization of the I Fighter Command for More Effective Conduct of the Training and Defense Missions of the First Air Force" to Operations Division, War Department General Staff be signed.

2. Recommend no action be taken on the draft of memorandum to the Chief of Staff, subject: "Elimination of Defense Commands in the Continental United States" for the following reason:

a. In the Joint Staff Planners meeting (22 December) JPS 333, subject: "Reduction of Active Air Defense - Continental U. S.", was withdrawn, with the understanding that the Army Air Forces would introduce a new Joint Staff Planners paper with the purpose of initiating action to redefine the Category of Defense "A" as applied to the Continental U. S. The attached memo recommends action already started by the Army Air Force Planner.

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3. Elimination of the Eastern, Western and Southern Defense Commands is a desirable objective and it is recommended that action to accomplish this aim be initiated.

JOE L. LOUTZENHISER
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief, Operational Plans Division

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Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Plans.

27 Dec. 1943

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff. (General Vandenberg)

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These two papers seem to tie in with each other. I understand that the memorandum for the Chief of Staff, subject: Elimination of Defense Commands in the Continental United States." is already well under way in the Joint Chiefs level. If this is going to take too long, and you think that the paper marked for signature, attached, should be signed, request that you send it down to me by messenger with a statement that it is O.K.

HOYT S. VANDENBERG,
Brig. General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

Incl:
Draft of memo for C/S,
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TO: AC/AS - Plans

DATE 30 Dec 1943

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

COMMENT NO. 3
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1. Noted by General Vandenberg.

2. Forwarded for Plans files in view of General Kuter's further discussion with General Upston on this subject.

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Lt. Colonel, G. S. C.
Asst Secretary, Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reorganization of the 13th and 19th Airways Communications Squadrons

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 13th and 19th Airways Communications Squadrons be reorganized and equipped by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing at the earliest practicable date, in accordance with T/OME 1-467, dated 6 August 1943 and Change 1, dated 1 September 1943, to operate Regional Control Headquarters and Squadron Headquarters in addition to stations and sections as indicated below:

13TH AIRWAYS COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON	Total Authorized Strength
Communications Stations	
Class A 13	Officers 190
Class B 3	Warrant Officer 1
Class C 1	Enlisted Men 1325
Class D 26	
Class T 8	
Class X 78	
Communications Section	
Class I..... 16	
Class II 6	
Message Center ... 6	

19TH AIRWAYS COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON	Total Authorized Strength
Communications Stations	
Class A 11	Officers 74
Class B 6	Warrant Officer 1
Class D 12	Enlisted Men 649
Class T 1	
Class X 10	
Communications Section	
Class I 3	
Class II 12	
Message Center ... 5	

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1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The dates of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division, and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in the Middle East
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, 12th Air Force
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding Officer, 13th Airways Communications Squadron
Commanding Officer, 19th Airways Communications Squadron
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

EDWIN S. PERRIN
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in ltr, no date, from Air Communications Officer, Subject: "Reorganization of the 13th Airways Communications Squadron and the 19th Airways Communications Squadron." This action is necessary to provide additional personnel and equipment so adequate communications service can be furnished in accordance with requirements of the Theatre Commanders. The reorganization of the 13th Airways Communications Squadron is an increase of 41 officers and 715 enlisted men and a decrease of 2 warrant officers and the reorganization of the 19th Airways Communications Squadron is an increase of 47 officers and 300 enlisted men and a decrease of 1 warrant officer. Copy of station lists and correspondence is forwarded for OPD's information. Attention is invited to concurrence by Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in the Middle East and Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing. Personnel will be within the authorized strength for all of the foreign regions and within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF AIR STAFF
(Attention: Brig. General E. S. Perrin)

Subject: Report of Filler Shipments for the Eighth and Fifteenth Air Forces

1. Pursuant to request received by Major Roy H. Clarke of this office regarding the sources of filler shipments for meeting scheduled activations within the Eighth and Fifteenth Air Forces, and the procedures followed in implementing these shipments, the following summary data are submitted:

a. Attached as Tab A, "Sources of Filler Shipments to the Eighth and Fifteenth Air Forces," is chart which contains complete information on filler shipments to 6 December 1943. It will be noted that the following points of information may be obtained from Tab A:

(1) Monthly activation requirements in the Eighth and Fifteenth Air Forces.

(2) Monthly shipments to date to the Eighth and Fifteenth Air Forces.

(3) Status of shipments to requirements.

(4) Quota assignments to fill monthly shipments.

(5) Actual number of personnel provided by Air Forces and Commands for each shipment.

b. The determination of the sources for monthly quotas was made as follows:

(1) October. This office was directed by Brig. General H. A. Craig, Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements, in memorandum dated 9 September 1943, subject: "Implementation of the Bradley Plan," to

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secure the initial shipment from the Air Service Command.

(2) November. A recommended quota for each Air Force and Command was prepared by this office after analyzing surpluses in the Form 127. These recommended quotas were submitted to General Craig, Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements, and were approved by him.

(3) December. Quotas for the December shipment were obtained from Management Control, since it was desired to reduce continental Command overhead strength to manning table ceilings.

(4) January. Quotas for the January shipment were also obtained from Management Control.

(5) Remaining shipments. It is anticipated that considerable difficulty will be experienced in meeting the remaining shipments due to other special project demands being made on this office. Before such shipments are formed, quotas will be coordinated with Management Control.

3. It is proposed to keep the Tab A up to date as new shipments are formed and to submit monthly reports if desired by your office.

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Tab A

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Colonel, G. S., C.,
Chief, Military Personnel
Division,
Office of Assistant Chief of
Air Staff, Personnel.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reorganization of Weather Squadrons within the North American Theater

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 322 (18 Dec 43) OB-I-WPRS-M, dated 6 January 1944, subject as above, be amended as follows:

1. Delete all reference to the boundaries of the 8th Weather Region in paragraph 1 and substitute the following:

"The boundaries of the 8th Weather Region are revised to include that portion of the North American Theater contained in the States of Idaho and New Hampshire, Wyoming, Montana, Nevada, Utah and Kentucky; that portion of the Panama Canal Department and the Caribbean Defense Command, lying to the Eastward of the Longitude 82° West, to include Bocas del Toro, Panama, and in the Eastward Area of the Caribbean Defense Command, U.S. Bases in Newfoundland, Labrador, Greenland, Iceland, also Bermuda, and those in the Ferry Command, and the Bases within the North Atlantic Theater."

2. Delete all reference to the authorized strength of the 8th Weather Squadron and substitute the following:

"The authorized strength of the 8th Weather Squadron, in accordance with T/O & E 1-407, 27 August 1943 and Change 1, 1 October 1943, will be as indicated:

Unit	Type of Station	Authorized
	AAF Station	
8th Weather Squadron	No. Sta. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

II. That the following be notified of this action:
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. DEUTSCH
Major, A. G. D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General

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REMARKS FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R from AC/AS, OCAS, Weather Division, Subject: "Reorganization of 8th and 29th Weather Squadrons", dated 3 February 1944. This action is necessary to provide authorization for Army Air Forces Weather Stations and Sections in the Azores also to provide authorization so that the Regional Control Office of the 8th Weather Squadron can be near the Headquarters, North Atlantic Wing, Air Transport Command, the agency which the 8th Weather Squadron serves. The 29th Weather Squadron is reduced by a Type A8 Station and the 8th Weather Squadron is increased to provide strength for the change in Regional Control Office of the 8th Weather Squadron from Presque Isle Army Air Field to Grenier Field, Manchester, New Hampshire. The 8th Weather Squadron will be moved to Grenier Field, Manchester, New Hampshire not later than 15 February 1944. Strength and type of weather facilities for weather service in the Azores and at Grenier Field has been coordinated by the Staff Weather Officer, Headquarters, Air Transport Command. The revision of strength herein represents an increase of 13 officers, 2 warrant officers and 56 enlisted men. Personnel will be within the Weather Program for 1944 and within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Subject: [redacted]

The Secretary of the General

1. That the boundaries of certain Weather Regions be revised as follows:

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The 6th Weather Region will be revised to include that portion of North Carolina formerly contained in the area of Eglin, Langley, Morehead, Greenville, Norfolk and that part of the Hampton Roads Sub-district of the Philadelphia district of the Army Ferrying Command, and to the eastward area of the Charleston district of the Army Ferrying Command, including all of Charleston, Savannah, and Orlando, and that portion of the Jacksonville district of the Army Ferrying Command lying to the eastward of a line drawn from Jacksonville to Tallahassee, thence to the Gulf of Mexico, including Tallahassee, but excluding Jacksonville, Florida.

[redacted]

The 6th Weather Region will be revised to include that portion of the territory of Alaska following the Alaskan Island, south of [illegible] which [illegible], but [illegible].

[redacted]

The 10th Weather Region will be revised to include that territory of Alaska north of [illegible], but south and that part of Canada under the jurisdiction of the Northwest Service Command, with the British Columbia, Alberta, Yukon Territory and the District of Mackenzie.

[redacted]

2. That the boundaries of the 6th Weather Region with [illegible] be revised from [illegible] to [illegible] thence to the [illegible] to the northern [illegible] boundary.

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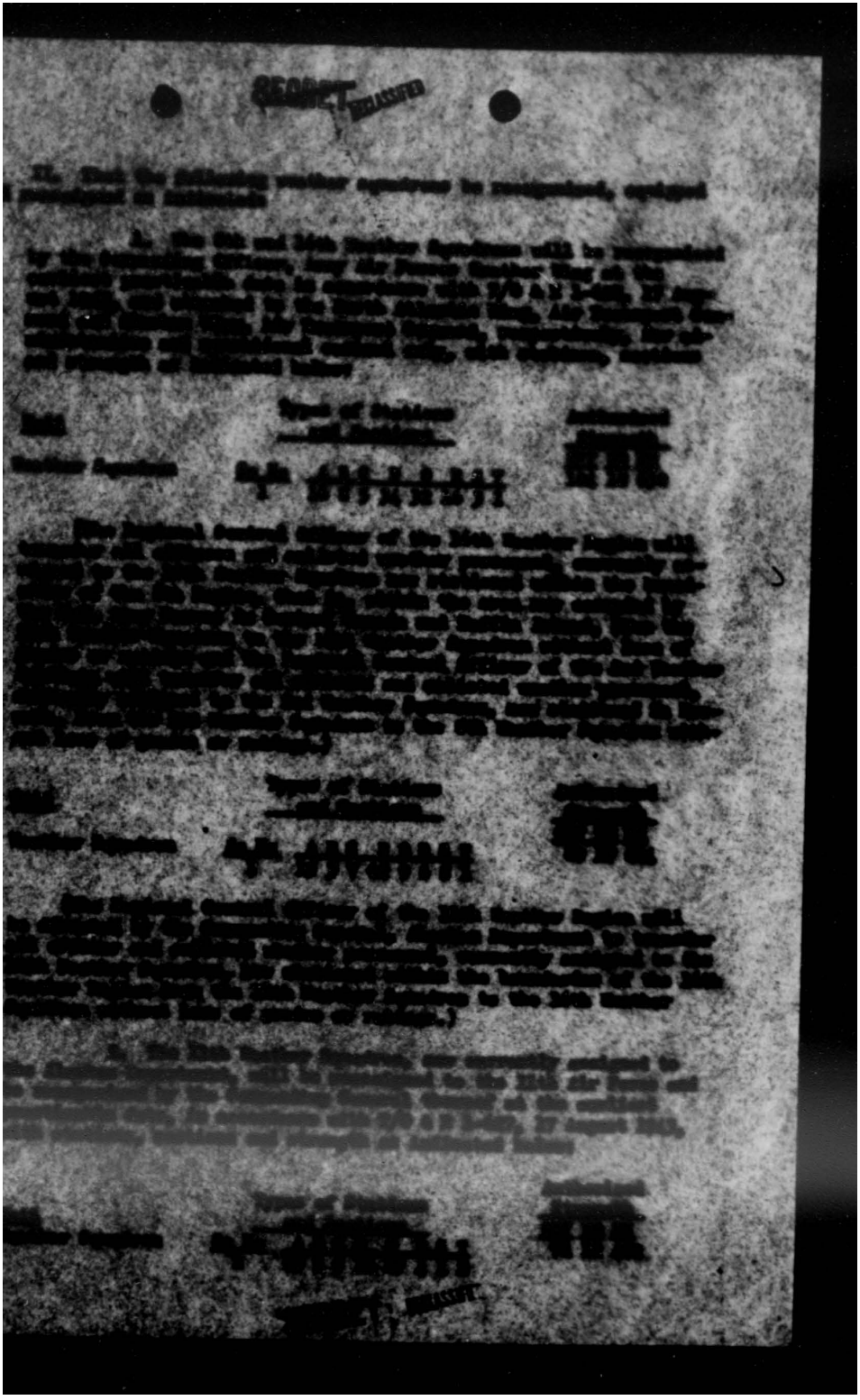

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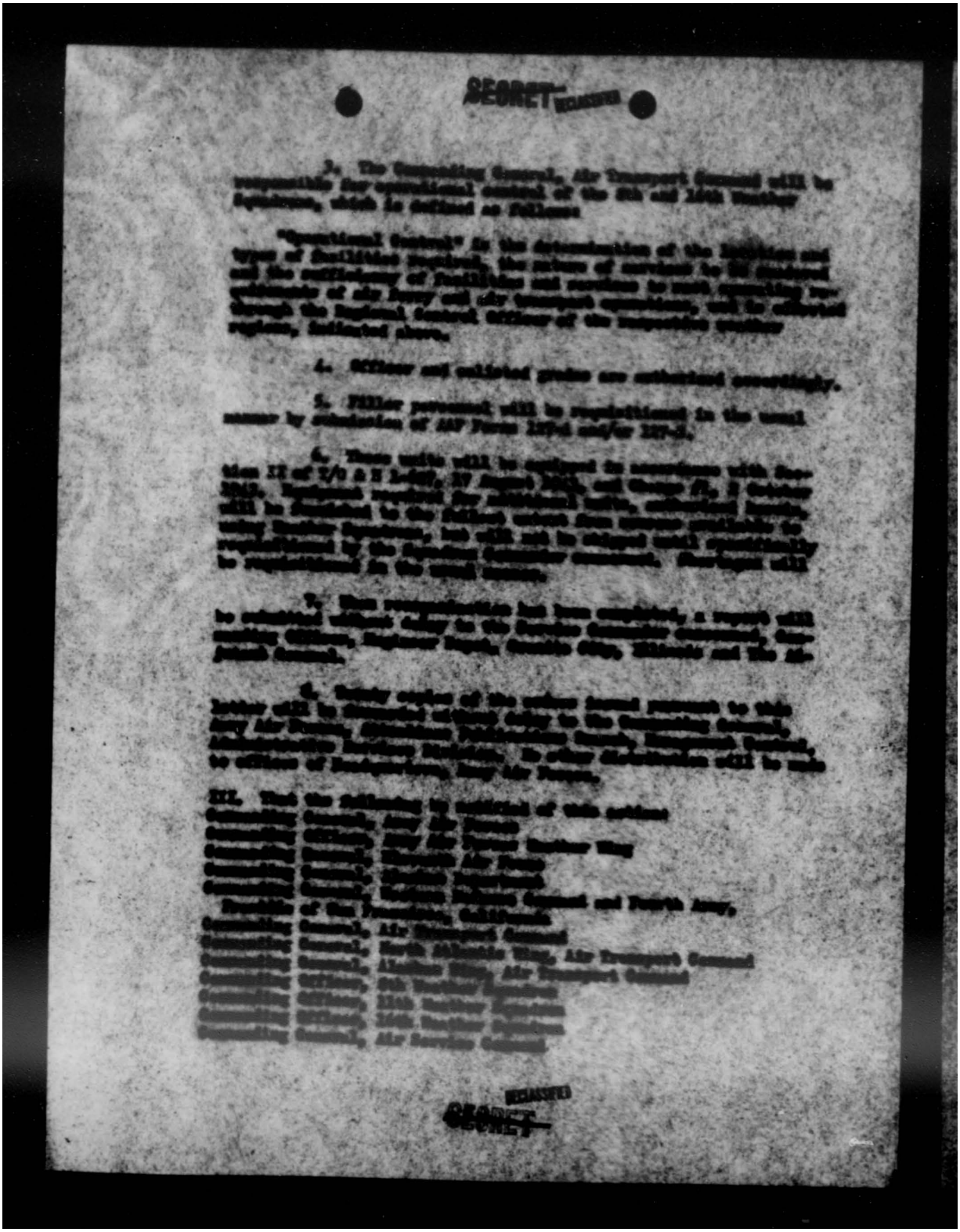

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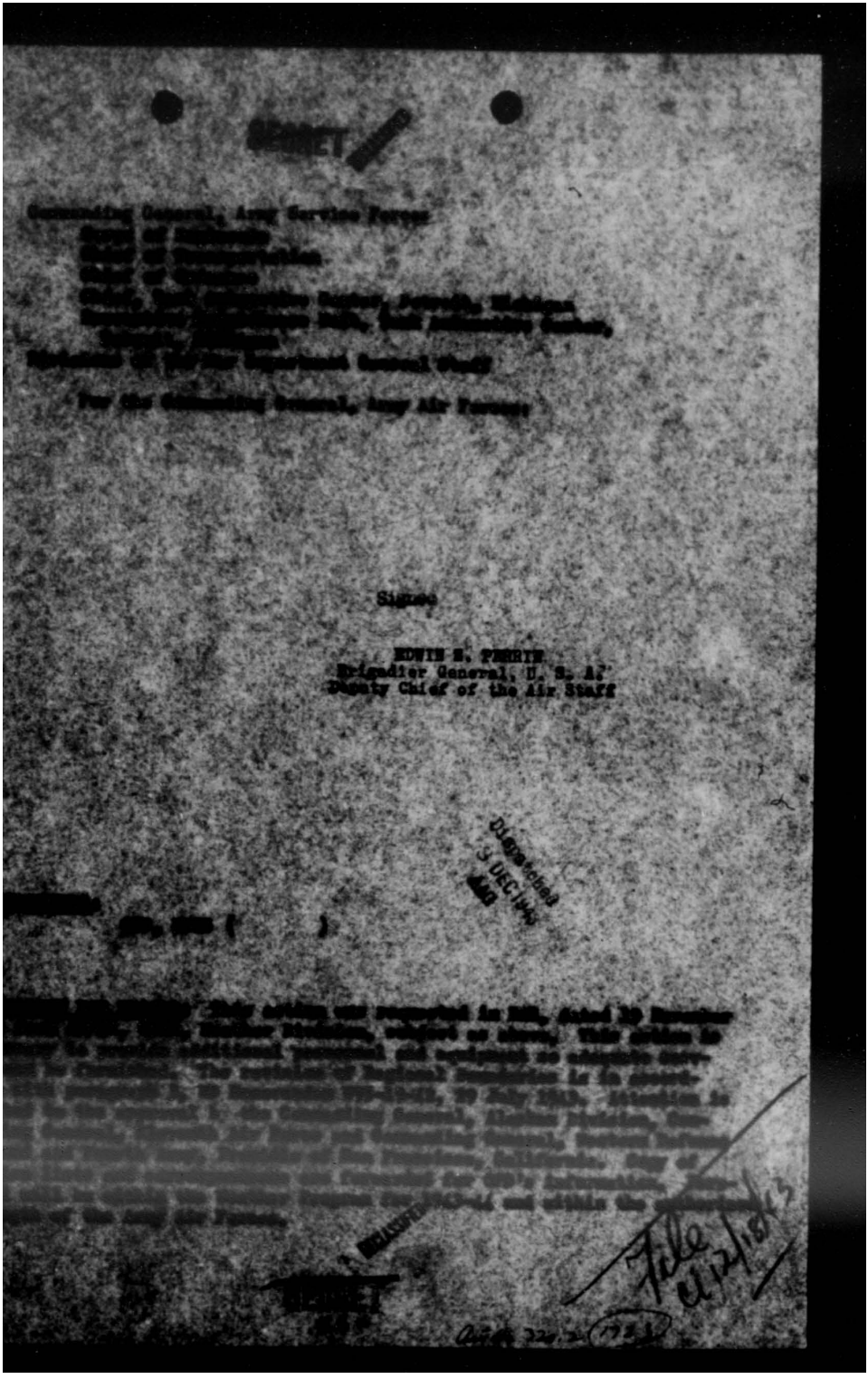

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Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Staff
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Engineers
Chief, Army Transportation Support Agencies, Washington
Commanding Officer, Army Air Forces Board, Orlando Field, Orlando, Florida
Representative of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

EDWIN W. PERRIN
Brigadier General, U. S. AF
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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[redacted] dated [redacted] subject as above. This action is [redacted] additional personnel and equipment [redacted] Commanding General, Army Air Forces, [redacted] Commanding General, Army Service Forces,

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To: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

Date 17 Dec 43

FROM: Air Communications Officer

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1. In accordance with the suggestion contained in paragraph 3 of the attached memorandum from Mr. Lasker on the subject of expediting the radar program I am submitting a proposed directive for your signature. I have been in consultation with Col. Reynolds of Asst C/AS, OSRD and Mr. Hull of my office in working out this suggested directive. After carefully considering all the factors concerned, it was generally agreed that no very radical steps should be taken to upset any existing directives or functions of any of the normal staff offices of this Headquarters.

2. In carrying out your desire to place the handling of the radar program on a high priority level a very complete understanding was arrived at between Asst C/AS, OSRD and the Air Communications Office. It is our firm belief that these two agencies collaborating in a whole-hearted manner will more than accomplish the desired results.

3. In keeping with your policy of holding to a minimum the number of exempted stations under the control of this Headquarters and also in keeping with your desire to retain all training agencies under the control of the Asst C/AS, Training, it was decided that the status of Langley Field and the First Gas Search Attack Unit should remain unchanged, and that all attempts would be made to accomplish our aim under the conditions set forth in paragraph 4 of the proposed directive.

4. I have already assigned to Col. Stuart P. Wright the specific duty listed in paragraph 3 of the attached directive [illegible] your signature on this subject. In addition, I have obtained the services of a special representative of the Radiation Laboratory of MIT to assist Col. Wright. He has already reported to [illegible] and is

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Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (cont'd) 17 Dec 43

at work today.

5. I recommend that you approve and sign the inclosed memorandum for the Air Communications Officer and a similar memorandum for the Asst C/AS, OCAR. These are identical directives which have been agreed upon between my office, Dr. Null and OCAR.

6. I discussed this matter with Dr. Bowles the evening before his departure and I am confident that after going over the proposal contained in the new directive, that he will concur. It is recommended therein reply to his memo he be furnished a copy of these directives, copies of which are attached.

H. H. McCLELLAND
Brig Gen, USA

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13 December 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Giles:

1. With reference to our discussion in the Air Room this morning regarding the problem of setting up means for the activation of radar units, I hope that adequate study will be given to the exact manner in which this should be done before any directive is issued. I believe that the organization substantially as it now exists is satisfactory to permit the implementing of programs for the introduction of new and critical equipments into operational use. I feel that the Air Communications Officer should be the guiding influence in these matters since such implementation requires close coordination between the staff planning for tactical application, and the development, procurement and allocation of the equipment in sufficient quantities to permit effective operational use. The coordination that has hitherto existed has been on a low level in the branches of the Air Communications Office. It is evident that action on a higher level is essential. The Special Projects Section of the Air Communications Office, working with the Plans and Tactical Applications Section of that office, can and will henceforth exert a much more positive coordinating influence.

2. With regard to the study referred to above, I also mentioned to you that I should like to have Colonel Rives give some thought to the problem and to discuss it with O C & R and Training. Believing that you would concur in my recommendation I asked Colonel Reynolds of O C & R to consider the problem with Colonel Rives. I believe that Colonel Reynolds agrees as to the importance of taking no steps which would negative any portion of the existing directive to the Air Communications Officer because such action at this critical stage would do much to undermine the separate establishment of communications to deal with all such problems soundly and efficiently.

3. As the next step following this memorandum Colonel Reynolds representing O C& R, Colonel Rives representing the Air Communications Officer, and Dr. Hull representing my office, together with a representative from Training, will promptly prepare for you explicit recommendations with regard to the following aspects of the problem:

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g. Reinforcement of the appropriate sections of O C & R and Training, with statements of the consequent reassignment of responsibilities, if any.

h. The establishment with either O C & R or Training of a more direct channel of communication and control to the First Sea Search Attack Unit at Langley Field than now exists through the First Air Force.

Edward L. Bowles
Communications Consultant
to the Commanding General
Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Asst Chief of Air Staff, OCAR

SUBJECT: Implementation of Plans for the Operational Use of Airborne Radar.

1. Because of the special nature of airborne radar equipment, installations, and organizations, it is apparent that it will be necessary to take certain short-cuts in order most effectively to exploit the limited supplies of equipment and trained personnel which will be available during the coming year.

2. The Asst C/AS, OCAR is charged with broad responsibilities for staff control of all requirements and allocations. The Requirements Division of that office will be strengthened, where necessary, to permit special and expeditious treatment of those portions of the general functions of OCAR which concern the employment of airborne radar, including personnel authorizations, establishing the basis for training requirements, insuring expeditious completion of modifications, and the allocation and movement of radar-equipped aircraft and radar-trained crews. Whatever additional personnel are necessary to carry out this directive will be made available to that Division.

3. The Air Communications Officer is charged with responsibility for taking necessary steps to insure the execution of all communication plans, including radar. This carries a consequent responsibility for assumption by the Air Communications Officer of active interest in equipment procurement and installation, organizational planning, and training, all of which are performed or supervised by other staff agencies. The Air Communications Officer is directed to assign to his Special Project Officer, Colonel Stuart P. Wright, the following specific duties:

a. Coordinating and expediting, with respect to airborne radar, all those activities which are now charged to the various Divisions of the Air Communications Office.

b. Acting as the responsible agent of the Air Communications Office on airborne radar matters, in all representations and recommendations to the Office of the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, OCAR.

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4. In order to facilitate the ultimate integration and clearance of radar-equipped aircraft and trained crews, I feel that primary importance must be assigned to the radar training activities of the First Sea Search Attack Unit, as compared with all other activities at Langley Field, and in no case should the facilities afforded that unit be subordinated to those of any other local activity. Furthermore, direct communication is authorized between this Headquarters and the First Sea Search Attack Unit. Take whatever action is necessary to accomplish this.

5. I am placing this project on the same priority level as long-range fighters; equipment must be installed as rapidly as it becomes available, and personnel must be supplied and trained in sufficient time to synchronize with the release from modification centers of the fitted aircraft.

By command of General ARNOLD;

Signed

BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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Air Communications Officer 15 Dec 43

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Hall) 1

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1. For preparation of reply.

2. Your attention is invited to General Giles' comment on page 1.

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WILLIAM E. HALL
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Augmentation of Certain Bombardment Squadrons (Light)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That, effective upon arrival in the Southwest Pacific Area, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the 672nd, 673rd, 674th and 675th Bombardment Squadrons (L) each be augmented as shown below:

Power turret and gunsight specialist - MOS 672

Technical Sergeant	- 1
Staff Sergeant	- 1
Sergeant	- 1
Corporal	- 1

Bombsight mechanic - MOS 663

Staff Sergeant	- 1
Sergeant	- 1

1. Enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner by the Commanding General, Fifth Air Force.

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of augmentation.

4. Unit equipment is authorized in accordance with T/E 1-137, 12 May 1943, plus attached list, and will be supplied from theater stocks with shortages to be requisitioned in the usual manner.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 19th Statistical Control Unit (Sp),
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Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Surgeon of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Transportation Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Directors of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. A. CRAIG,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Chief of Air Staff.

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[redacted] This action is in accordance with request from [redacted], [redacted], Requirements Division, Headquarters Supply Services, dated 29 November 1943, subject "Request for Inventory in authorized Strength" and is necessary since those squadrons of the 425th Reinforcement Group (A) now equipped with tank destroyers will receive reinforcements and further equipment and receive this personnel by assigning this equipment. Inasmuch as allowing for these grades and specialties has been processed and approved by G-1, WDGS and it is published within these units, any increase in the inventory would require additional processing. This action has been approved by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, Operations Branch, WDGS, 13 Dec 1943. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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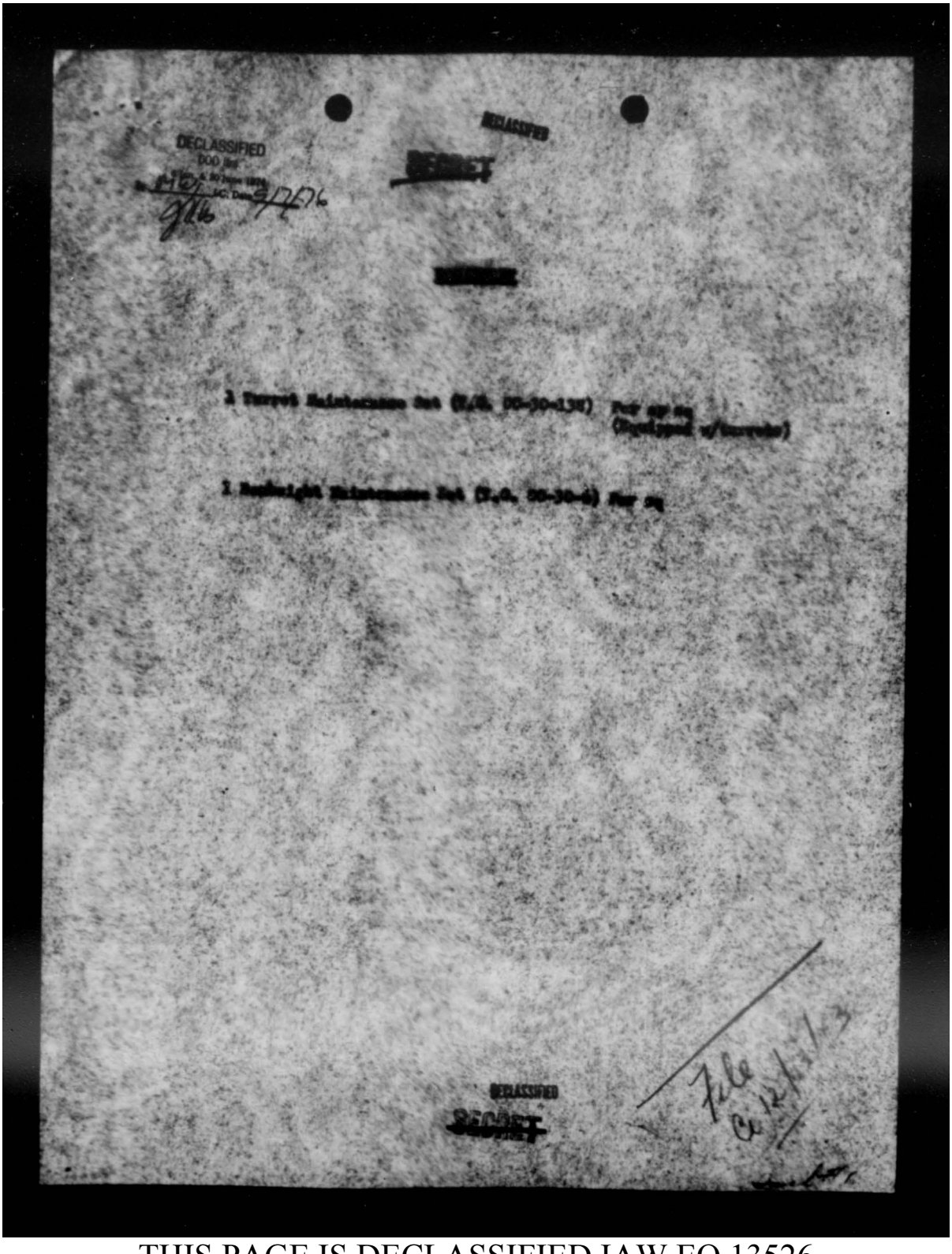

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Increase in AAF Troop Basis.

AC/AS, Operations, Commitments and Requirements. 10 Dec. 1943

Secretary of the Air Staff.

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1. The Chief of the Air Staff directs that, in collaboration with the Assistant Chief of the Air Staff, Plans, you work up a study for presentation to General McNarney, which will specify the increase in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis, month by month, to:

a. Get the required number of B-29 Groups in the picture.

b. Provide the 4th squadron for the specified number of fighter groups.

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Colonel, G. S. C.
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Organization of the 2nd Air Combat Control Squadron, Amphibious

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That an allotment of grades as shown on the attached table of distribution be made to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Technical Center for organization on 15 December 1943 of the 2nd Air Combat Control Squadron, Amphibious at Orlando, Florida. Total strength will be eleven (11) officers and forty-six (46) enlisted men.

2. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces Technical Center will supply personnel for this unit from sources available to him. Personnel replacement for source units will be accomplished in the normal manner.

3. The 2nd Air Combat Control Squadron, Amphibious is assigned to Army Air Forces Technical Center and will be attached to an appropriate unit for rations, quarters and supply.

4. No organizational equipment is authorized for this unit.

5. The Station Commander charged with organization of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander and The Adjutant General of the date.

6. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Technical Center pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular 138, 1 June 1943.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Technical Center
Commanding General, Army Ground Forces
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers

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Chief, Bomb Accessories Section, Detroit, Michigan
Procurement Maintenance Unit, Bomb Accessories Section, Detroit, Michigan
Division of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces

William K. Hall,
Brig. Gen. U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of Staff.

Concurrences:

G-3, W.D.G.S. ( )

Incl - 1/2

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is taken in compliance with memorandum [illegible] Army Air Forces [illegible] dated 27 November 1943, subject "Air United Nations Symposium, Washington". Requisite action is being taken to organize a [illegible] in Washington Chapter of Operations for attachment to the Bomb-[illegible], Naval Training Stations, Lectureship to make an appropriate [illegible] and GPO, dated 23 November 1943, same subject, prepared by [illegible] Pur-[illegible] approval by [illegible] Army Air Forces Board Under by a similar [illegible] which has distributed for overseas forces. This paper is classified SECRET because of this memorandum for record was published [illegible] should be [illegible].

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21 DEC 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Organization of the 1st Air Combat Control Squadron, Amphibious

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That an allotment of grades as shown on the attached Table of Distribution be made to the Commanding General, European Theater of Operations for organization at the earliest practicable date of the 1st Air Combat Control Squadron, Amphibious. Total strength will be eleven (11) officers, and forty-six (46) enlisted men.

2. Personnel now on detached service from Force Headquarters Section (Army), Amphibious Training Command, U. S. Atlantic Fleet and aboard the U.S.S. ANCON will be utilized in the organization of this unit.

2. Upon organization the 1st Air Combat Control Squadron, Amphibious is assigned to the Commanding General, European Theater of Operations.

3. No organizational equipment is authorized for this unit.

4. The date of organization will be reported by radio to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Commanding General, Army Ground Forces
Commanding General, Air Service Command
CINC, U. S. Navy
Commander, Naval Forces, European Waters
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

William E. Hall,
Brig. Gen. U. S. A.
Deputy [illegible] ff.

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C-3, A.A.F.H.Q. ( )

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is taken in compliance with memorandum OPD 320 Anglo Pac (16 Nov 42) dated 27 Nov 1942, subject "Air Combat Control Squadron, Amphibious". Separate action is being taken to organize a like unit at AAFHQ which will remain under Army Air Forces control pending further instructions from the War Department. Reference is made to memorandum for C-3 part OPD dated 19 November 1942, same subject, prepared by AFPAC. Personnel is being provided in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis by a special allotment which C-3 has authorized for overseas forces.

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Engineer Aviation Battalions for CBI Theater

AC/AS, OC&R -- Attn: Programs Branch

6 Dec 43

Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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The attached papers are being forwarded for study and comment.

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frm Gen.Godfrey dtd 4 Dec 43
re this subject.
#2--Memo for Gen.Giles
frm Gen.Godfrey dtd 3 Dec 43
w/Gen.Arnold's letter of 24
Nov. attached.

EDWIN S. PERRIN,
Brigadier General, U.S.A,
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8 December 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Major General Barney M. Giles, Chief of Air Staff, Washington, D. C. (Attention: Brigadier General S. E. Ferrin, Deputy Chief, Air Staff)

Subject: General Arnold's personal letter to General Giles of 26 November, paragraphs 2 and 4.

1. Reference Paragraph 2, General Arnold states that he has agreed with Wheeler to accept runways of 7500 feet instead of 8500 feet stipulated. I believe this figure refers to studies made some time ago by the Army Service Forces in connection on the Twilight Plan. Meanwhile, based on the latest performance curves of the tests of the B-29, a length of 7000 feet at sea level has been accepted as satisfactory to all concerned as a minimum requirement. Longer runways would of course be desirable but are not mandatory. I have talked personally to General Wolfe about this, and again today to Somervell. I recommend the following message to the theater:

CONFIRMING ARNOLD AGREEMENT WITH WHEELER TWO FOUR ENGINEER BOMBERS FOR B-29s IN CALCUTTA AREA SHOULD BE DESIGNED FOR 7000 FT LENGTH RATHER THAN 8500 ORIGINALLY CONTEMPLATED. TO ACCELERATE CONSTRUCTION PAVED RUNWAY 7000 FT LONG WILL BE ACCEPTABLE FOR INITIAL OPERATIONS WITH PLAN FOR EXTENSION LENGTHENING TO 7500 FT.

2. Reference to Paragraph 4, it is true, as General Arnold says, that aviation engineer units were available at a time when no general service regiments were ready, and were sent to India in lieu of general service regiments requested. This is water over the dam. It should be recognized, however, that in some other theaters the debt has been the other way, - that is, many general service regiments and combat regiments have built airdromes. I think the smart thing at this time is not to try to secure a modification of the troop basis (which it is doubtful in any event could be accomplished), but to point out to the War Department that this assistance to the Army Service Forces in road building may have to be repaid with interest in case future developments require large new programs of airdrome construction. For example, if and when Germany folds up there will be a complete redistribution of Army Air Force combat units to new locations, requiring many new airdromes.

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Brigadier General, U. S. Army
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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

24 November 1943

Dear Barney:

Have been receiving your very informative memorandums and allied papers regularly. The following subjects require your attention.

1. Removal of combat equipment from airplanes assigned in U.S.

I seriously question the wisdom of the policy enunciated in your memo dated 17 Nov. You are providing a means for generals all over the country to grab off combat planes, remove combat equipment, and convert them to their own personal use. This procedure must be carefully watched and not allowed to run rampant. I've fought that tendency for two years and feel that a control system of some kind must be provided to keep it in check if you still think it the thing to do.

2. Talked with Somervell and Wheeler today about runways for B 29's in Calcutta Area. Because of the difficulties of construction and the diversity of jobs already allocated to the engineers in that part of the world, I agreed to accept runways of 7500 instead of 8500 feet stipulated. This appears feasible inasmuch as the performance chart gives 4900 feet as roll distance before take-off at 120 MPH with full load. Confirm my agreement with Wheeler by wire to the theater.

3. With regard to setting up Tommy Hitchcock as a P 51 Group Commander, I have no objections providing he meets the requirements. Give him a chance in the O.T.U. and let him stand or fall on his own merits.

4. Wheeler tells me that General Service Regiments were requisitioned by the theater for the construction of Ledo Road. Because none were available nor would be available before next year, it was decided in Washington to substitute Aviation Engineer Bns for the General Service Regiments on the basis of two Avn Battalions as the equivalent of one General Servi ce Regiment. Because Godfrey has done an excellent job in preparing his units ahead of schedule is no reason why the Air Forces should be penalized to the extent of having Avn. Engineers, (troops included in Air Forces troop basis) assigned to do the work of the Services Forces, while airdrome construction suffers. Not only do we lose the much needed work of the Aviation Battalions but also lose a number of bodies which are charged to our troop basis. Check this thru for me.

Best wishes,

Sincerely,

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/s/ H. H. Arnold
H. H. ARNOLD
General, U.S.A.,
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

Major General Barney M. Giles
Headquarters, U.S.A.A.F.
Washington, D. C.

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AFDAE
4 December 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of the Air Staff (Attention: Brig. Gen. E. S. Perrin)

Subject: General Arnold's Personal Letter to General Giles of 24 November, paragraph 4

With further reference to my memorandum of 3 December on this subject, I suggest a letter to the War Department substantially as follows:

"MEMORANDUM FOR: THE CHIEF OF STAFF

SUBJECT: Adjustment of Troop Basis With Respect to Aviation Engineer Units.

I. Discussion

1. There are now in the C-B-I Theater five Engineer Aviation Battalions with one additional en route. Another battalion en route to this Theater was on the transport which was recently sunk in the Mediterranean. These battalions and their dates of arrival in the theater are as follows:

Unit	Date of Arrival
823d Engineer Aviation Battalion	23 July 1942
848th " " "	12 August 1943
849th " " "	12 August 1943
1883d " " "	12 August 1943
1905th " " "	12 October 1943
858th " " "	en route

2. It is understood that the 848th Battalion is assigned to work on airdromes, and that the other battalions are all assigned to road work not related to airdromes. The 823d Aviation Engineer Battalion has now been on road work for over a year, practically its entire time in the theater. It is also understood that the Commanding General, Services of Supply, requested several general service regiments for this road construction, but since no general service regiments

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were available or would be available for many months, additional aviation engineer battalions were requisitioned last summer in lieu of the general service regiments.

3. Aviation engineer units are part of the Army Air Forces, charged to the Army Air Forces troop basis. Their normal employment in a theater, as prescribed by the War Department, is under Air Force control. Theater commanders are authorized to use the troops at their disposition as they deem the situation demands, and it is recognized that the diversion of aviation engineer units on road and other engineer work not connected with airdromes may at times be justified, and may indeed be offset in other situations by the use of combat and general service engineers on airdromes. In this case, however, there was an urgent and continuing need for engineer troops with primary assignment on road construction,- a task to which aviation engineer units have been assigned only because general service regiments did not exist when needed. Under these conditions it appears that an adjustment in the troop basis is called for. The Army Air Forces should have credit in their authorized troop basis for at least four battalions, or whatever number the Theater Commander plans to use continuously on road work not connected with airdromes. The 3000 men or more who would be thus added to the Army Air Forces troop basis are most urgently needed.

II. Action Recommended

It is therefore recommended that the Army Service Forces be charged with the four or more Aviation Engineer Battalions, the continuing use of which is planned on road construction, and the credit thus established be made available to the Army Air Forces to provide in part for vitally needed troop units."

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S. C. GODFREY
Brigadier General, U.S. Army
Air Inspector

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-3:

Subject: Planning Factors for Army Air Forces Troop Basis.

1. The rates of personnel separations for the entire Army Air Forces have been thoroughly reviewed and the expected rates at which replacements will be required are set forth in the following paragraphs:

a. For all Army Air Forces personnel, excluding initial equipment combat crews in active theaters, the Rate of Separation, due to other than flying hazards (combat and non-combat) and other than ground personnel losses due to active combat theater causes, will be at a monthly rate of 0.32%. The major types of separations experienced under this heading are:

(1) Certificate of Disability Discharge
(2) Death from Disease and Non-flying Accidents
(3) Physical Disqualification
(4) Inaptitude and Undesirable
(5) Dependency and Hardship
(6) Importance to National Interest and Key-men in Industry
(7) Retired, Resigned, Over-age, and Dropped.

b. Rate of Separation for all Army Air Forces personnel, excluding initial equipment combat crews, in active combat theaters, in addition to that in paragraph 1a., will be at a monthly rate of 0.27%. The major causes of these separations are:

(1) Killed in Battle
(2) Died from Wounds
(3) Seriously Wounded and Hospitalized for more than 60 Days.
(4) Missing and Captured.

c. Rate of Separation for all flying personnel, excluding initial equipment combat crews in active theaters, due to non-combat flying hazards, in addition to that in paragraph 1a.,

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and paragraph 1 b., for those in active combat theaters, will be at a monthly rate of 0.6%. The major causes are:

(1) Aircraft accidents causing death or major injury
(2) Missing (non-battle)

d. The planned combat crew replacement requirement rates as set forth in the memorandum "Rules for use in preparation of Study of AAF 27) Gp. Program Revised 12 Aug 1943" dated 23 August 1943 are still believed to be a requirement if the planned operations of the Army Air Forces are to be carried out. These rates are based upon initial equipment aircraft and not upon total crews in the theater. The initial equipment aircraft per combat group is as follows:

Very Heavy Bombardment	28	Aircraft
Heavy Bombardment	48	"
Medium and Light Bombardment	64	"
Fighter and Fighter-Bomber	100	"
Troop Carrier	64	"
Reconnaissance Gps (all Fighter types)	25	"
Reconnaissance Gps (F-6 & B-25 types)	16	"
Reconnaissance Gps (F-7,F-9, & F-10)	12	"
Night Fighter Squadron	12	"
Search Attack Squadron (Scott X)	12	"

e. The summation of monthly rates for which replacements will be required is as follows:

Ground personnel in inactive theaters	0.3%
Ground personnel in active theaters	0.9%
Flying personnel in inactive theaters	1.0%
Flying personnel in active theaters	1.2%

(combination of combat crews shown below)

Initial equipment combat crew personnel in active theaters:

Heavy Bombardment in 8th & 15th Air Forces:
- 2% per month until 1 January 1944
- 3% per month 1 January 1944 to 1 April 1944
- 4% per month 1 April 1944 to 1 July 1944
- 5% per month after 1 July 1944

Heavy Bombardment in other active theaters:
- 1% per month until 1 July 1944
- 3% per month after 1 July 1944

Troop Carrier in active theaters
- 3% per month

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Other types in entire theaters:
125 per month until 1 July 1944
325 per month after 1 July 1944

2. The combat crew loss rates mentioned above are based on an all-out effort to aerial warfare upon the enemy and inasmuch as the intensity of air operations in combat is directly related to the losses which are sustained, reductions in these rates will unquestionably result in a reduction in the troops of aerial warfare which is now planned for early future operations. Operations on a reduced scale which has characterized our part aerial effort against the enemy have been limited as to their number, strength, frequency, and selection of target by the small number of replacements available to operate losses. In the part, a large proportion of graduate combat crews have been used to man new groups and to increase the combat crew strength of activated groups toward the approved level. As the war activities taper off, and organization of combat crew strength nears realization, an increasing proportion of graduate combat crews will become available to replace combat losses. These additional available long replacements will enable our aerial warfare to be materially intensified. The losses incurred by this intensification will be compensated, many times over, by the saving of lives in the Army Ground Force troops.

3. It is strongly felt that any reduction of replacement combat crews below that number which can be effectively used by the Army Air Forces will result in a vast increase in cost to the country in lost manpower, materiel, and other costs resulting from prolonging the war. Consequently, the comparatively small number of Air Forces combat crew replacements required to keep the Army Air Forces operating at full efficiency in accordance with planned troops of operations will effect savings far beyond their cost.

4. The ratios of combat crew replacements will necessarily be subject to revision as required in accordance with approved operations of the various Air Forces. However, because of the length of the training period of combat crew members, requirements, as in the case of pilots, must be set as far ahead as eighteen months. It is therefore felt that any planned combat crew replacement ratios below those set forth herein will be extremely detrimental to the war effort of this country.

For the Commanding General:

Signed
H. A. CRAIG,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Chief of Air Staff.

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Initial Implementation of the B-29 Project. HAC:mc

Assistant Chief of Air Staff - PERSONNEL 3 Dec. 1943

Chief of the Air Staff. 1

1. As a result of the conference with General Streett today, it is directed that you take immediate steps to provide immediate existing personnel shortages. You will arrange with the AC/AS Training for the assignment of approximately 1,000 selected specialists from the Training Command to the Second Air Force. Following this, you will provide the maximum number of trained specialists and basics to meet a requirement of an additional 5500 men. The specialists requirements are indicated in Form #127, as of December 1st, Second Air Force.

2. Prior to taking action which will affect the movement of the above personnel to the Second Air Force, you will present your plan to the Chief of the Air Staff for approval, prior to Noon on Monday.

H. A. CRAIG,
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Acting Chief of the Air Staff.

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AFACT-4
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4 December 1943

Honorable Joe Starnes
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Joe:

Immediately on receipt of yours on November 29th regarding Camp Sibert, Alabama we made a thorough investigation and I am glad to report that the AAF unit is now practically ready to move in. It consists of an especially organized detachment of eight officers and fifty-eight men together with certain especially equipped aircraft required for the testing and training activities at Camp Sibert. The delay in furnishing this unit arose from the fact that when the Army Service Forces originally submitted their requirement for AAF units at certain of their Chemical Warfare establishments, they indicated a requirement for a "proving ground" type of unit. The unit for Camp Sibert was organized on a skeleton basis and stationed at our Proving Ground at Eglin Field, Florida pending the completion of the air field at Camp Sibert and the beginning of activities there. It subsequently developed that Camp Sibert would be more of a training establishment than a proving ground insofar as the function of this unit was concerned and it was therefore necessary to reorganize the unit, transfer it from our Proving Ground Command to the Third Air Force, and train it for its special type of work at Camp Sibert. All this of course took time, which is why the unit has not yet arrived.

The Third Air Force assured me today that the unit (which is still in training at Morris Field, Charlotte, North Carolina) will be ready to move in about January 1st.

The air field at Camp Sibert is not an Army Air Base, but is an Army Service Forces establishment. The Army Service Forces have provided there a maintenance hanger with leants, two office buildings, a storage warehouse, a portable control tower, and a

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12,000-gallon gasoline storage tank with electric pump. No other buildings have been provided inasmuch as the detachment required to operate the air field is relatively small and will be housed and messed at Camp Sibert. As soon as the unit has moved in and some actual experience in operations there has been obtained, we can ascertain whether additional facilities are needed. If so, we will ask the Army Service Forces to provide them, and an informal discussion with the Office of the Chief of Chemical Warfare today indicates that they are entirely willing to furnish whatever we need.

The unit which we are furnishing is trained and equipped to handle the operations, servicing, and minor aircraft maintenance on the field. It is hardly likely that there will be very much transient air traffic through the field and for that reason it is doubted that a requirement for teletype and weather report facilities could be justified, inasmuch as this service can readily be had by telephone with the Birmingham Army Air Base; this method is customarily used on airdromes such as Camp Sibert, Fort McClellan, etc.

I am glad you called this matter to my attention because we are anxious to cooperate to the fullest with the Army Service Forces and sometimes very special requirements such as this unit at Camp Sibert can get side-tracked. I feel, however, that this Camp Sibert project has been closely followed up and will soon be in efficient operation.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely your friend,

Signed

WILLIAM E. HALL
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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Actual: Personnel withdrawn from Air Force or Com'd
Cumulative: From October 1943.

SOURCES OF FILLER SHIPMENTS TO 8th AND 15th AIR FORCES
QUOTA AND ACTUAL, OCT. 1943 THRU APR. 1944

SOURCE: CONTINENTAL AIR FORCE OR COMMAND	THEATRE	OCT. 43		NOV. 43				DEC. 43				JAN. 44				FEB	
		QUOTA 4/	ACTUAL	QUOTA	ACTUAL	CUMULATIVE QUOTA	CUMULATIVE ACTUAL	QUOTA 1/	ACTUAL	CUMULATIVE QUOTA	CUMULATIVE ACTUAL	QUOTA	ACTUAL	CUMULATIVE QUOTA	CUMULATIVE ACTUAL	QUOTA	ACTUAL
1st Air Force	8th A.F.			2,050	2,050	2,050	2,050	1,113	1,227	3,163	3,277	500					
	15th A.F.							27	27	27	27						
	Total			2,050	2,050	2,050	2,050	1,140	1,254	3,190	3,304	500					
2nd Air Force	8th A.F.			4,100	4,018	4,100	4,018	7,479	7,594	11,579	11,612	2,852					
	15th A.F.							1,991	1,991	1,991	1,991	244					
	Total			4,100	4,018	4,100	4,018	9,470	9,585	13,570	13,603	3,096					
3rd Air Force	8th A.F.			5,510	5,498	5,510	5,498	309	348	5,819	5,846	1,000					
	15th A.F.							14	14	14	14						
	Total			5,510	5,498	5,510	5,498	323	362	5,833	5,860	1,000					
4th Air Force	8th A.F.			3,075	3,084	3,075	3,084	2,105	2,029	5,180	5,113	1,352					
	15th A.F.							45	45	45	45	148					
	Total			3,075	3,084	3,075	3,084	2,150	2,074	5,225	5,158	1,500					
Air Service Command	8th A.F.	20,000	19,749	3,075	3,008	23,075	22,757	2,037	2,055	25,112	24,812	194					
	15th A.F.							248	248	248	248	4,612					
	Total	20,000	19,749	3,075	3,008	23,075	22,757	2,285	2,303	25,360	25,060	4,806					
Troop Carrier Command	8th A.F.							500	518	500	518						
	15th A.F.																
	Total							500	518	500	518						
Air Transport Command	8th A.F.											1,000					
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	Total											1,000					
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Flight Control Command	8th A.F.																
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Proving Ground Command	8th A.F.											400					
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	15th A.F.							27	27	27	27										
	Total			2,050	2,050	2,050	2,050	1,140	1,254	3,190	3,304	500									
2nd Air Force	8th A.F.			4,100	4,018	4,100	4,018	7,579	7,594	11,579	11,612	2,852									
	15th A.F.							1,991	1,991	1,991	1,991	244									
	Total			4,100	4,018	4,100	4,018	9,470	9,585	13,570	13,603	3,096									
3rd Air Force	8th A.F.			5,510	5,498	5,510	5,498	309	348	5,819	5,846	1,000									
	15th A.F.							14	14	14	14										
	Total			5,510	5,498	5,510	5,498	323	362	5,833	5,860	1,000									
4th Air Force	8th A.F.			3,075	3,084	3,075	3,084	2,105	2,029	5,180	5,113	1,352									
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AAF Training Command	8th A.F.							7,500	7,904	7,500	7,904	3,000									
	15th A.F.							156	156	156	156										
	Total							7,656	8,060	7,656	8,060	3,000									
Commanding General	8th A.F.																				
	15th A.F.																				
	Total																				
TOTAL SOURCES	8th A.F.	20,000	19,749	17,810	17,658	37,810	37,407	21,043	21,675	58,853	59,082	12,298									
	15th A.F.							2,481	2,481	2,481	2,481	5,004									
	Total	20,000	19,749	17,810	17,658	37,810	37,407	23,524	24,156	61,334	61,563	17,302									
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Tot. WDGS Activation Req's.	8th A.F.	32,203		15,336		47,539		12,329		59,868		8,082						67,950		16,665	
	15th A.F.							2,481		2,481		2,602						5,083		2,560	
	Total	32,203		15,336		47,539		14,810		62,349		10,684						73,033		19,225	
Total Actually Embarked 5/	8th A.F.	19,858		17,826		37,684		21,696 2/		59,380											
	15th A.F.							2,481 3/2/		2,481 2/											
	Total	19,858		17,826		37,684		24,177		61,861											
Embarkations Short or Over Req.	8th A.F.	-12,345		∮ 2,490		-9,855		∮9,367		-488											
	15th A.F.																				
	Total	-12,345		∮ 2,490		-9,855		∮9,367		-488											

1/ Includes additional shipment of 5218 secured from frozen units.

2/ Est. from Foreign Assignments Branch

3/ No. requested from Air Forces & Commands (per Foreign Assignments Branch)

4/ Source of initial shipment directed by AC/A , Operations, Commitments and Requirements

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2,203	15,336		47,539		12,329		59,868		8,082		67,950		15,665		84,615		2858		87,473
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AC/AS, Training 2 Dec 43

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Hall) 1

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1. General Hall desires that you prepare a reply to the attached letter from Representative Joe Starnes for his signature.

2. General Hall is very anxious to have the answer in his hands at the earliest possible time.

ROBERT H. HARPER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Asst Secretary, Air Staff

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By Authority of
The Commanding General
of the Army Air Forces
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26 November 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL GILES:

Subject: Night Fighter Program

1. UNITS.

a. At present we have the following units deployed in the Theaters:

North Africa	4 Squadrons	@ 12 airplanes each
Southwest Pacific	1 Squadron	"
South Pacific (en route)	1 Squadron	"
Hawaii	1 Squadron	"

b. Six additional squadrons have been activated and are in training at Orlando. Of these, one is scheduled for the Southwest Pacific, two for the European theater, three are CTU-RTU Squadrons.

c. Eight squadrons are scheduled for activation in 1944. These are to be deployed as follows:

U.K.	1 Squadron
India	2 Squadrons
China	2 Squadrons
South Pacific	1 Squadron
Southwest Pacific	1 Squadron
Training establishment	1 RTU Squadron

2. AIRCRAFT.

a. The four squadrons now in North Africa are equipped with the British Beaufighter. It is now planned to equip these units with the P-61, by attrition replacements, when it is available.

b. Units now in the Pacific are equipped with the original P-70 with 540 AI, which has proven inadequate. All future P-70 models will have the 720 AI installed. This modification is being done at the

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Memphis Modification Center. From information received this date from [redacted], these aircraft are expected to be available for export in accordance with the following schedule: 10 by 28 February 1944, 18 in March, and 11 in April. This means that the Squadron now en route to the South Pacific and the Squadron scheduled to depart for the Southwest Pacific latethis month will not have their unit equipment until 31 March and 31 April, respectively.

c. Preliminary performance tests of the P-61 give a top speed of between 350 and 375 miles per hour, at 22,000 feet; and the time to climb to 25,000 feet is approximately 17 minutes. While this is not all that is desired, it is a vast improvement over the P-70. [redacted] has been directed to run performance tests on the P-61 with the turret and gunner removed. It is expected that this will materially increase the rate of climb and service ceiling. One of these airplanes with the turret removed is now at Wright Field and the tests are in progress.

3. PRODUCTION AND ALLOCATIONS. According to the latest estimates, we will have produced approximately sixty P-61's by 1 May 1944, out of which production it was originally planned to make the following allocations:

Training units	24
North Africa	16
South Pacific	6
Southwest Pacific	8

In view of the repeated requests from the Pacific Theaters for better night fighter equipment, and due to recently received information that the P-70 will not be available until March, ten of these airplanes will be diverted from Training to active theaters: four to the South Pacific, and six to the Southwest Pacific. After 1 May 1944, production is expected to reach the maximum of thirty-five airplanes per month. This is a drop of fifteen per month from earlier estimates.

4. An attempt is being made to provide the British Mosquito night fighter for the four squadrons now in North Africa. If this can be accomplished this will release eight P-61's per month for other theaters.

5. The night fighter training establishment will be moved from Orlando to the Fourth Air Force on 10 January 1944.

WILLIAM F. McKEE
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy Asst Chief of Air Staff,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attn: O-3 Division)

Subject: Army Air Forces Troop Basis.

1. Discussion.

a. The Army Air Forces Troop Basis submitted by this Headquarters to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 at recent conferences included in its totals for overseas requirements certain units for a so-called "Leap-Frog Project". The basis for these units was provision in advance of 90% additional shipping services (an additional 34,000 enlisted men) to be located in theaters where units would move following the fall of Germany. It was believed that this would enable operations to start against Japan thirty to sixty days earlier than would otherwise be possible. It is now apparent that this project will not be approved.

b. Because of the importance attached to the above mentioned project by this Headquarters, it was included in the proposed Troop Basis at the expense of other units for which a definite requirement exists. Most important of these are:

(1) Of the total Fighter and Fighter Bomber Groups in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis, sixty-one (61) have but three (3) squadrons. Numerical designations of these groups are shown in Tab A. Sufficient pilots have been included in the Troop Basis to equip the unit equipment of four (4) squadrons for each of these groups. The ground echelon was not provided for the fourth squadron and consequently no additional personnel will be available for the increased unit load which will be sustained by the planned augmentation of aircraft and pilots. Lack of this personnel will unquestionably impose serious limitations upon the effectiveness of these groups, particularly during periods of sustained operations.

(2) Inclusion in the Troop Basis of the additional ground personnel for the sixty-one (61)

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squadrons in question will involve the following:

	Unit Strength		Total Strength	
	AC	WC	AC	WC
12 Squadrons (VIII) :	14	233	633	10,836
10 Squadrons (IX) :	14	221	140	2,210
8 Squadrons (XV) :	14	233	112	1,864
Total			854	15,662

II. Action recommended.

It is recommended that the Secretary of War directs:

1. That the Army Air Forces Troop Basis for 31 December 1944 include an additional 15,662 enlisted men to provide ground personnel for a fourth squadron required by Fighter Groups shown in Tab A.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Incl: Tab A.

Signed

Barney M. Giles,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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THIRD SQUADRON FIGHTER GROUP REGULAR ORDER PERSONNEL FOR FOURTH SQUADRON

Single Number	Twin Number	Eighter Number
4	1	27
6	14	86
16	20	311
18	55	339
23	82	405
31	347	406
32	364	407
33	474	408
35	475	
36	479	
37		Total - 8 Squadrons
49	Total - 10 Squadrons	
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reassignment of the 9th and 22nd Weather Squadrons (Regional)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 9th and 22nd Weather Squadrons (Regional) be relieved from their present assignment, be reassigned without change of station and attached for administrative purposes only, as indicated below:

Unit	New Assignment	Unit to which atchd for administrative purposes
9th Weather Sq (Regional)	Army Air Forces Weather Wing	Caribbean Wing, Air Transport Command
22nd Weather Sq (Regional)	Army Air Forces Weather Wing	South Atlantic Wing, Air Transport Command

1. The Air Transport Command will be responsible for Operational Control of the above named weather squadrons (regional) which is defined as follows:

Operational Control is the determination of the location and types of facilities required, the nature of services to be rendered and and the sufficiency of facilities and services to meet operating requirements of air ferry and air transport operations, and is effected through the Regional Control Officer of the respective weather regions, above named.

2. When reassignment has been completed a report will be submitted without delay to the Service Commander concerned, Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General.

3. Twenty copies of the reassignment orders issued by the Commanders concerned, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Caribbean Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, South Atlantic Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding Officer, Army Air Forces Weather Wing
Commanding Officer, 9th Weather Squadron (Regional)
Commanding Officer, 22nd Weather Squadron (Regional)
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

EDWIN S. PERRIN
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R, dated 18 November 1943 from AC/AS, OCAS, Weather Division, Subject: "Assignment of Weather Squadrons". Colonel Bassett recommended the reassignment of the units together with attachment to the appropriate command for such purposes as deemed necessary which was concurred in by Brig. Gen. Evans for Brig. Gen. Craig and agreed upon with Air Transport Command Weather Officer by Brig. Gen. Gribbon. OPD has indicated favorable consideration of the reassignment of the 9th and 22d Weather Squadrons (Regional) with Operational Control vested in the agency having primary interest.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Bands

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following bands be redesignated as indicated and reorganized by the commanders concerned in accordance with T/O 8-21, 1 April 1943 at the earliest practicable date:

Present Designation	New Designation
100th Army Air Forces Band	800th Army Band
363rd Army Air Forces Band	663rd Army Band
439th Army Air Forces Band	739th Army Band
441st Army Air Forces Band	741st Army Band
469th Army Air Forces Band	769th Army Band

1. Authorized strength of each Army Band will be one warrant officer and twenty-eight (28) enlisted men. Grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Equipment is authorized in accordance with T/E 8-21-N, 1 Mar 1943, and will be supplied from theater stocks with shortages to be requisitioned in the normal manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

4. Direct communication is authorized between the commanders concerned and the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
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Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
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Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

EDWIN S. PERRIN
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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Concurrence:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on OPD memorandum dated 30 Oct 1943, subject "Constitution, Activation and Redesignation of Certain Army Bands," file OPD 320.2 (30 Oct 43) and is being routed to OPD for concurrence inasmuch as it includes the 369rd Army Air Forces Band in Newfoundland Base Command which does not appear on the directive referred to above. It is understood that OPD will query the Newfoundland Base Commander regarding his desires to retain this band.

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28 Nov. 1945

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FROM: Secretary of the Air Staff.

For information and then to Files.

WM. R. BURT,
Lt. Colonel, G.S.C.,
Asst. Secretary, Air Staff.

Incl:
Ltr. dtd. 11/25/45, frm. Hqs. 3rd A.F., above subj. w/Incl.-Summary of 3rd A.F. Activities.

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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL

IN REPLY REFER TO: TAMPA, FLORIDA

3AF 353 (11-25-43) CFU/RTV November 25, 1943

BY AUTHORITY OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL, THIRD A.F. FORCE

SUBJECT: Third Air Force Activities.

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D.C. (Attention: Chief of Air Staff).

Inclosed is the latest copy of "Summary of Third Air Force Activities" for your information.

For the Commanding General:

1 Incl - Summary of 3AF Activities -Cy #1.

ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL, THIRD AIR FORCE

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WM. R. BURT,
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Asst.Secretary, Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

29 NOV 1943

Subject: Activation, Redesignation and Assignment of a Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Unit.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That notice be given by restricted directive that Signal Aircraft Warning Detachment No. 36 be activated and organized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, on 10 December 1943, at Drew Field, Florida, in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment No. 11-400, 17 June 1943, and authorized Changes, with Team composition as follows:

Teams	X	J	P	H
Quantity	1	1	1	8

2. Total authorized strength of this unit will be fourteen (14) officers and two hundred one (201) enlisted men.

3. Personnel for manning this unit will be furnished from sources under the control of the Commanding General, Third Air Force. Source units are authorized to refill immediately.

4. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form No. 137-A and/or No. 137-B.

5. Paragraph 2 of AAF Memorandum No. 35-1, 13 June 1942, subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates," will apply.

6. This action will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

7. This unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment No. 11-400, 17 June 1943, and authorized Changes.

a. Additional items of equipment, including transportation to make the unit completely mobile, will be prescribed in a special list of equipment to be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements, Requirements Division, Fighter and Air Defense Branch).

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h. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be C-1-710.

7. This unit is being organized as a light weight radar reporting company of a certain Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion. Appropriate grades for the personnel of this unit are to be reserved by the receiving commander and are made available to the Commanding General, Third Air Force for the organization of this unit.

8. This unit will be filled, equipped, trained and fully prepared for functional duty on or before 1 March 1944.

9. Twenty (20) copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded immediately to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division.) No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

10. When activation has been completed, a report will be submitted by letter to The Adjutant General, and copies furnished the Service Commander concerned and the Commanding Officer, Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, without delay.

11. Obligate the appropriate allotments published in Section VI, Circular No. 129, WD, 1 June 1943, to the extent necessary.

II. That notice be given by secret directive to the Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations, of the above action, and that the 592nd Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion, less the Light Weight Radar Reporting Company, is scheduled for shipment at an early date. That the Light Weight Radar Reporting Company of the 592nd Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion is being organized and will be shipped separately as Signal Aircraft Warning Detachment No. 36, and that, upon arrival in the North African Theater of Operations, subsequent to arrival of the 592nd Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion therein, Signal Aircraft Warning Detachment No. 36 will be redesignated by him as Light Weight Radar Reporting Company, and the unit, together with all personnel and equipment thereof, will be absorbed in the 592nd Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion.

1. Authorized strength and grades will be reserved for the Light Weight Radar Reporting Company by the Commanding Officer of the 592nd Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion until such time as Signal Aircraft Warning Detachment No. 36 joins the battalion.

2. Confirmation of redesignation will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, and The Adjutant General without delay.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

EDWIN S. PERRIN
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

CONCURRENCE:

GPD, WDGS ( )

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on request from AC/AS, OCR(Fighter and Air Defense Branch) by M&R, dated 18 Nov 43, subject: "Activation of Signal Aircraft Warning Detachment No. 35," and is necessary to provide the Light Weight Radar Reporting Company of the 582nd Signal Aircraft Warning Battalion as constituted by authority of letter AG 320 (2 Nov 43) OR-I-AWFP-M, dated 2 November 1943, subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions."

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Augmentation of Certain Bombardment Groups

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hqs, 45rd, 90th, 390th Bombardment Groups (Hv), 22nd, 39th and 345th Bombardment Groups (M) and 3rd Bombardment Group (L) be augmented by two D/F H/F teams, each team to consist of the following:

3 - Radio Mechanics CMS (759)
1 - Tech Sgt
1 - S/Sgt
1 - Cpl
4 - Radio Operator-Mechanics (756)
1 - Tech Sgt
1 - S/Sgt
1 - Sgt
1 - Cpl
2 - Guard Patrolman (521)
2 - PFC
1 - Duty NCO (586)
1 - Sgt

1. Total augmentation for each Group Hq is twenty (20) enlisted men with grades authorized as shown above.

2. Personnel required for these augmentations will be supplied by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and will be shipped without requisition.

3. In addition to unit equipment presently authorized, each Group Headquarters is authorized one SCR-291 radio set per D/F H/F team. This equipment will be shipped without requisition at an early date.

4. The date of augmentation will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the Commanding General, Third Air Force be notified by separate restricted directive of the augmentation of the Hq, 417th Bombardment Group (L) by two D/F H/F teams as shown above.

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1. Personnel required will be supplied by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and will be furnished without requisition.

2. In addition to unit equipment present authorized, the Hq, 417th Bombardment Group (L) is authorized one SCR-299 radio set for B/T H/T Team. Additional equipment will be shipped without requisition.

3. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force (separate RESTRICTED directive)
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Dispatched
26 Nov 1943
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Signed
H. A. CRAIG,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

CONCURRENCE:
OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on JCS 286/1 Project and is required to furnish operational and maintenance personnel required for Communications service necessitated under plans of the Project. Reference is made to RAR dated 30 Oct 1943 from Air Communications Officer, subject "Revision of T/O's and T/E's for Bombardment Groups," which states that this action has been informally concurred in by Lt Col Hensley of OPD. Information regarding additional equipment required is furnished by Air Communications Officer (Capt Grant). The 417th Bombardment Group (L) is the only one of these units not in the theater at the present time and it is committed for shipment in December. The additional personnel required are included in the tentative Army Air Forces Troop Basis for the Fifth Air Force.

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26 NOV 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Allotment of Personnel for Provisional Air Commando Force

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (20 Sep 43) O&R-AFWC-M, dated 4 October 1943, subject as above be amended as follows:

1. Amend Paragraph 1 to read "183 officers, 5 warrant officers and 383 enlisted men," instead of "67 officers, 76 flight officers and 261 enlisted men."

2. Delete the inclosure and substitute the attached therefor.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

EDWIN S. PERRIN
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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INCLOSURE:

U. S. WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from the Deputy Chief of Air Staff, dated 18 November 1943 and approved by the Chief of Air Staff, same date. The allotment involved is for Project #9 and the amendment results in an increase of 20 officers and 5 warrant officers and a decrease of eight enlisted men (net increase of 17). Grades have been increased because the mission assigned to this project required selection of individuals with much experience in their specialties and, consequently, the individuals were chosen for their qualifications without regard to present grades held. Limitation of the allotment to the original figures would not only eliminate promotion possibilities in most grades but would result in many individuals being assigned

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to the project at grades in excess of those authorized. A comparison is shown below:

	Authorized	Actually Assigned as of 16 November	Requested Authorization
Colonel	1	-	2
Lt Col	4	3	4
Maj	8	9	12
Capt	37	34	44
1st Lt	49	41	49
2nd Lt or Flt Off	78	55	71
Total	183	182	183
Warrant Off	-	5	5
M/Sgt	2	30	26
T/Sgt	54	63	66
S/Sgt	182	118	132
Sgt	89	44	44
Cpl	44	43	44
PFC	-	42	42
Pvt	2	2	2
Total	361	345	353

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ALLOTMENT OF PERSONNEL FOR
Provisional Air Commando Force

OFFICERS	AC	RNR	SNAF
Colonel	2		
Lt Colonel	4		
Major	11	1	
Captain	39	4	1
1st Lieutenant	49		
2nd Lieutenant	91	—	—
Total	196	5	1

QUALIFICATIONS OFFICERS	AC	RNR	SNAF
Pilots	152		
Armament	2		
Communications	7		
Engineering	3		
Intelligence	1		
Administrative	11		
Flight Surgeon		5	
Chaplain			1
Total	196	5	1

WARRANT OFFICERS	
	5

WARRANT OFFICERS			
Administrative	2		
Armament	1		
Communications	1		
Engineering	1		
Total	5	—	—

ENLISTED MEN			
M/Sgt	26		
T/Sgt	63	2	
S/Sgt	132		
Sgt	44		
Cpl	44		
Pvt, 1st Cl	42	—	—
Total	351	2	
Aggregate	529	7	1

ENLISTED MEN			
Enlisted pilots	68		
Nav Rscl operators	18		
Administrative	28		
Supply	11		
Armorers	48		
Radio Mech	38		
Radio Oper & Mech	12		
Airplane engine Mech	100		
Glider Mech	36		
Auto Equip Oper	2		
Medical technicians		1	
Surgical technicians		1	
Total	361	2	—

* Flight officers may be substituted for 2nd Lts in ratio of 1 to 1.

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15 JAN 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Augmentation of Certain Airdrome Squadrons

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320 (21 Nov 43) OB-I-AFPC-M, dated 3 December 1943, subject as above, be amended by deleting Paragraph 2 and substituting the following therefor:

"2. The augmented squadrons will be equipped in accordance with T/E 1-467S dated 21 May 1943 and Changes 1 and 2, with the addition of equipment prescribed on the attached special list of equipment."

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. M. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

Incl - Sp List of Equip

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with AAF request from Air Communications Officer, Organizations Division, Materiel Branch, subject "Revised List of Equipment for Airdrome Squadrons (Special)", dated 6 January 1944, concurred in by ACAS, M&M, Supply and Maintenance Branch, same date.

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21 NOV 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Augmentation of Certain Airdrome Squadrons

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 78th, 79th, 655:80th Airdrome Squadrons be augmented by a Communications Section (Advanced Echelon) to consist of the following:

Communications Officer
1 - 1st Lt

Total commissioned - 1

Radio Operators, AAF (756)
1 - Staff Sgt
3 - Sgts
2 - Opls
4 - PFC or Pvt

Radio Mechanic, AAF (754)
1 - Tech Sgt
1 - S/Sgt
1 - Sgt
1 - Opl
1 - PFC or Pvt

Message Center Chief (674)
1 - S/Sgt
1 - Sgt
1 - Opl

Pencil and Code Operator (721)
1 - S/Sgt
1 - Sgt
1 - Opl
1 - PFC or Pvt

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Telephone Operator (804)
1 - Cpl
2 - Pfc or Pvt

Lineman, Telephone and Telegraph (825)
2 - Sgts

Adm & Tech Clerk (601)
1 - Pfc or Pvt

Total enlisted - 28

1. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

2. The augmented squadrons will be equipped in accordance with the attached special list of equipment. Additional equipment required for overseas units will be supplied to the fullest extent from sources now available to the theater commander with any shortages to be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of augmentation will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
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Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. A. CRAIG
Brig. General, U. S. Army
Acting Chief of Air Staff

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Incl - Lists of equipment

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MEMORANDUM FOR ENCORE: This action is in accordance with JCS 925/1 and is based on specific information supplied by the Air Communications Officer in AAB dated 9 October 1945 and 1 November 1945, subject "Authorization for Additional Personnel for Airborne Squadrons (Sp)". T/O & E 1-6275 is to be changed to include the additional communications personnel but due to the time involved in processing the change, it is desirable to authorize the personnel in this manner. The additional personnel is provided by the tentative 1946 Army Air Forces Troop Basis. Inasmuch as that Troop Basis has not received final approval of the War Department General Staff, this memorandum is forwarded to OPD through G-3 for concurrence of that Division as concerns the Army Air Forces Troop Basis.

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SUBJECT: Rotation of AAF Ground Personnel Outside the Continental United States

TO: Chief of the Air Staff

DATE 19 NOV 1943

FROM: AC/AS, Plans

COMMENT NO. 1
ESL:jrl 72259

1. In compliance with paragraph 2a of your directive dated 8 November 1943, above subject (Incl 1), a memorandum was sent to G-1 of the War Department requesting that this Office be advised as to the basic overall policy establishing revised turn-over rates between the several theaters and the Continental U.S. (Incl 2).

2. G-1's reply to our memorandum cited above, which is attached as Inclosure 3, states that a system of rotation of all overseas personnel except air combat crews is now under study in the War Department, the results of this study will be published in the near future and any action required to accomplish the rotation of personnel directed by this publication will be applicable to AAF Ground Personnel as well as to AGF and ASF Personnel.

3. Further action in compliance with your Directive of 8 November 1943 will be suspended until such time as the War Department study is completed and the basic rotation policy is made available to this Office. Informal advice has been received from Lt Col W. Barnes of War Department G-1 to the effect that the study being conducted will be completed on or about 1 December 1943.

3 Incls
1-Directive frm C/AS dtd 8 Nov '43 (cy)
2-Memo to G-1 dtd 10 Nov '43 (cy)
3-Memo frm G-1 dtd 15 Nov '43 (cy)

JOE L. LOUTZENHEISER,
Colonel, GSC
Chief, Operational Plans Division

TO: Air Adjutant General

DATE 25 Nov 43

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Hall)

Comment No. 2
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1. Noted.

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Robert H. Hasbrouck
for WILLIAM E. HALL
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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Rotation of AAF Ground Personnel Outside the Continental United States

TO: Air Adjutant General

DATE 25 Nov 43

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Hall)

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WILLIAM E. HALL
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF, PLANS, AC/AS, OC&R &
AC/AS, Personnel

Subject: Rotation of AAF Ground Personnel Outside the Continental United States

1. The President has recently requested that special study be given to the problem of rotating AAF ground personnel.

2. The following method of conducting this study is prescribed:

a. AC/AS Plans obtain from the War Department the basic overall policies establishing revised turnover rates between the several theaters and the continental United States.

b. AC/AS Plans then establish the basic rules (considering the factors outlined in Tab "A") under which replacements will be furnished to the several theaters within the scope of War Department policy.

c. AC/AS, OC&R and AC/AS Personnel convert these basic rules into specific personnel requirements.

d. AC/AS, OC&R in collaboration with AC/AS, Plans obtain the required increase in the AAF Troop Basis.

e. After increased Troop Basis has been obtained and personnel trained, AC/AS Personnel take necessary action to place rotation into effect.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

1 Incl.
Tab "A".

BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U.S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff

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WAR DEPARTMENT
Headquarters of the Army Air Forces
WASHINGTON

10 Nov 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attention: G-1 Division)

Subject: Rotation of AAF Ground Personnel Outside the Continental United States

1. In connection with a recent Presidential Directive that special study be given to the problem of rotating AAF ground personnel, it is requested that this Office be advised as to the basic overall policy establishing revised turnover rates between the several theaters and the Continental United States.

2. In consonance with this overall policy, a study will be made to determine the basic rules under which replacements for AAF Ground Personnel will be furnished to the various theaters.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

L. S. KUTER,
Brigadier General, USA
Asst Chief of Air Staff, Plans

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War Department General Staff
Personnel Division G-1
Washington

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15 November 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:
(Attention: Plans Division, Col. Loutzenheiser.)

Subject: Rotation of AAF Ground Personnel
Outside the Continental United States

Reference your attached memorandum concerning the rotation of AAF ground personnel, a system of rotation of all oversess personnel except air combat crews is now under study in the War Department.

The results of this study will be published in the near future and any action required to accomplish the rotation of personnel directed by this publication will be applicable to Army Air Forces ground personnel as well as to Army Ground Forces and Army Service Forces personnel.

M. G. WHITE,
Major General,
Assistant Chief of Staff.

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Memo for C/S, Att: G-1,
fr CG, AAF, 10 Nov 43.

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16 November 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attn: G-3 Division)

Subject: Adjustment of Army Air Forces Troop Basis.

I. Discussion

1. Troop Basis 1943 (Revised 4 October 1943) makes provision for no Bomb Groups (Dive) since at the time such Troop Basis was prepared it was contemplated that all Dive Groups would be reorganized as Fighter Bomber Groups. Consequently the 312th Bomb Group now in the Fifth Air Force was included in the 1943 Troop Basis as a 4 squadron Fighter Bomber Group with an authorized strength of 179 officers, 1 warrant officer and 1060 enlisted men. (Tab A)

2. However, the 312th Bomb Group is still organized as a Dive Group with an authorized strength of 185 officers, 1 warrant officer and 1155 enlisted men. By Secret Radiogram No. C-7800 (CM-IN-6882) dated 14 November 1943, the Fifth Air Force has requested conversion of this group to a Bomb Group (Light) and has authorized deletion from 1943 Troop requirements for the Fifth Air Force of one Airdrome Squadron scheduled for December 1943 shipment. This Airdrome Squadron was carried in the Troop Basis at 12 officers and 298 enlisted men.

3. By Secret Radiogram No. 07879 (CM-IN-9700) dated 16 November 1943, the Fifth Air Force has requested that the 312th Bomb Group Headquarters be augmented by additional grades in accordance with Personnel Allotment Table 117 which has been authorized for other Bomb Groups in that theater.

4. Reorganized as a Bomb Group (Light) and augmented in accordance with Personnel Allotment Table 117, the 312th Bomb Group will have an authorized strength of 182 officers, 1 warrant officer and 1124 enlisted men. (Tab B)

5. Present estimates of aircraft production indicate that the requested plan for conversion can be implemented with aircraft.

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II. Action recommended

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That Troop Basis 1943 (Revised 4 October 1943) be adjusted to reflect changes shown below:

	OFF	WO	EM
Add one (1) Bomb Gp (Light)	182	1	1124
Delete one (1) Fighter Bomb Gp	-179	-1	-1060
Delete one (1) Airdrome Sq	- 12	0	- 298
Troop Basis Decrease	- 9	0	- 234

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. A. CRAIG,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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Fighter Bomber Group Hq.				
2/0 1-12 Sqs.	7-1-42	23	1	52
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(4) Fighter Bomber Sq. (SE)				
2/0 1-27	7-1-42	39	0	252
0-1	11-23-42	39	0	252
0-2	1-25-43	39	0	252
0-3	5-7-43	39	0	252
Total Group		179	1	1060

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Bomb Group (Light)	No.			
S/O 1-138	5-29-43	25	1	52
2SF - 137	1-30-43	5		60
(1) Bomb Sq. (1)				
S/O 1-137	7-1-42	36	0	253
S-1	8-15-42	36	0	253
S-2	1-25-43	36	0	253
S-3	4-15-43	36	0	253
S-4	5-7-43			
S-5	6-29-43			
Total Group		182	1	1124

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attn: G-1 Division)

Subject: Army Air Forces Allotment of Officers and Warrant Officers from the Judge Advocate General's Department.

I. Discussion

1. The Army Air Forces is presently authorized an allotment of 208 officers and 38 warrant officers from the Judge Advocate General's Department.

2. Tab A, Part II of the Army Air Forces Program, published 1 October 1943, shows a requirement as of 31 December 1943 for 322 officers and 20 warrant officers from the Judge Advocate General's Department. The apportionment of this requirement by Air Forces and Commands is also indicated.

3. Since the 1 October 1943 publication of the Army Air Forces Program, exact manning tables have been approved for overhead units of most of the domestic Air Forces and Commands, which tables are at variance with tables used as a basis for the Program. Also, although exact manning tables have not yet been approved for the Materiel Command, it requires an increased authorization of Judge Advocate General's Department officers. (Tab B)

4. With adjustment of the 1 October 1943 Army Air Forces Program to conform with newly adopted exact manning tables, and incorporating the increased requirement of the Materiel Command, the Army Air Forces will require as of 31 December 1943, 346 officers and 18 warrant officers from the Judge Advocate General's Department. (Tab C)

II. Action Recommended

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the Army Air Forces be authorized as of 31

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December 1943, 376 officers and 18 warrant officers from the Judge Advocate General's Department.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

William E. Hall,
Brig. Gen. U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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ARMY AIR FORCES
Materiel Command
Office of the Commanding General

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Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio

31 August 1943

SUBJECT: P/A/T 1-162, 12 May 1943.

TO: Commanding General,
Army Air Forces,
Washington, D. C.
Attention: Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Personnel.

1. Attention is invited to P/A/T 1-162, 12 May 1943 which authorizes this command forty (40) J.A.G.D. officers broken down as follows:

4 - Colonels
6 - Lt. Colonels
12 - Majors
18 - Captains

These officers were allotted to Headquarters and Headquarters Operations Staff specifically for assignment to duty with J.A.G.D., A.A.F. Materiel Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

2. In addition to the requirements above, it is desirable in the near future to assign three (3) J.A.G.D. officers to each of the six (6) A.A.F. Materiel Command Procurement Districts. These officers will be assigned to legal work pertaining to the A.A.F. Procurement Program and their assignment to the Districts is deemed necessary in order to maintain the desired objective.

3. The volume and importance of the work of the J.A.G.D. at Headquarters, A.A.F. Materiel Command, Wright Field, is believed of sufficient importance to require at least forty (40) officers as authorized in referenced P/A/T for efficient operation. The J.A.G.D. is called upon to furnish officers for contract law, patent liaison, and military affairs and fiscal work as well as numerous special assignments. At the present time this Department is considerably understaffed having been recently called upon to furnish J.A.G.D. officers to the Procurement Districts.

4. In view of the circumstances outlined in paragraph 3, above, it is not believed practicable to decrease the allotment of forty officers given the J.A.G.D., Headquarters, A.A.F. Materiel Command, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio, by authorizing the Procurement Districts a definite number of officers to be taken out of the Headquarters, A.A.F. Materiel Command

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allotment. It is therefore necessary to carry all J.A.C.D. personnel assigned to the various procurement districts as overages.

5. To elevate this situation and provide J.A.C.D. personnel for each of the procurement Districts, it is recommended that the following J.A.C.D. complement be approved for A.A.F. Material Command:

	Hq. & Hq. Operating Staff	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Total
COLONELS	4							4
LT. COLS.	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	12
MAJORS	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	18
CAPTAINS	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	24
TOTAL	40	3	3	3	3	3	3	58

For the Commanding General:

/s/ ALDEN R. CRAWFORD
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief of Staff.

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Army Air Forces Requirement for J.A.G.D. Personnel as of 31 Dec 1943

	1 October 1943 Program		Adjusted Requirement		Basis for Adjustment
	OFF	NO	OFF	NO	
Hq, Army Air Forces	15	0	23	0	Rmmt M/T
First Air Force	4	0	5	1	Rmmt M/T
Second Air Force	10	0	14	4	Rmmt M/T
Third Air Force	10	0	11	0	Rmmt M/T
Fourth Air Force	4	0	4	0	Rmmt M/T
Troop Carrier Command	2	0	2	0	Rmmt M/T
Air Service Command	53	3	55	0	Rmmt M/T
Air Transport Cond. (Domestic)	47	0	47	0	None
Materiel Command	40	0	58	0	Tab B
Proving Ground Command	3	0	4	0	Rmmt M/T
School of Applied Tactics	4	1	0	0	Redesignated
Army Air Forces Tactical Center	0	0	7	0	Rmmt M/T
Training Command	16	3	32	0	Rmmt M/T
Miscellaneous	5	0	5	0	None
Total Continental U. S.	213	7	267	5	
Total Overseas	109	13	109	13	None
Aggregate	322	20	376	18	

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Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Hall)

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Comment or concurrence.

ROBERT H. HARPER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Asst Secretary of the Air Staff

TO: Brigadier General W. E. Hall
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

DATE 20 Nov 1943

FROM: Management Control

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Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Chief, Management Control

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Comment or concurrence.

ROBERT H. HARPER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
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Insufficient AAF Personnel needed to Meet 31 Dec 43 Troop Basis.

AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements. 26 Nov 1943

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1. The study attached was approved by this Division.

2. At the time the study was made, the figures contained were accurate according to the information available to the Army Air Forces, however, reference Tab C, the Special Aviation Cadet Authorization of 70,000 was, according to G-3 to be contained within the 2,157,000 total instead of added to it. This means that "Intake Deficiency, White Enlisted" at the bottom of Tab C should read 6,973 instead of 76,973 and "Total Authorized Troop Basis 31 Dec 1943" at top of Tab C should read 2,157,000 instead of 2,227,000.

3. The figure 2,157,000 may be modified slightly as result of conference to be held today and tomorrow between G-3 and the Programs Division regarding the Army Air Forces Troop Basis.

Incl: Memo for Gen Craig
fr Gen Stevens, abv subj
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BYRON E. KRUEGER,
Colonel, Air Corps

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10 November 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attn: S-3 Division)

Subject: Augmentation of Night Fighter Operational Training Units.

1. Discussion

1. The present Army Air Forces program for Night Fighter units provides for a total of 17 separate combat squadrons and 4 OTU-RTU Squadrons to be activated in accordance with the following schedule:

	Nov 43	Dec 43	Jan 44	Feb 44	Mar 44	Apr 44	May 44
COMBAT	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
OTU-RTU	4	4	4	4	4	4	4

Note: Units are shown on a cumulative basis.

2. The 4 OTU-RTU Squadrons act as parent units for operational training of new combat squadrons activated at the rate of one per month through May 1944, and in addition are required to turn out 15 replacement crews per month.

3. For proper supervision of the 4 OTU-RTU squadrons, the 481st Night Fighter Operational Training Group Headquarter was ordered activated on 12 July 1943 under T/O 1-32 with an authorized strength of 22 officers, 1 warrant officer and 90 enlisted men. T/O 1-32 was designed for a tactical headquarter and does not provide necessary supervisory and administrative personnel needed for the training mission assigned to this unit. A requirement exists for augmentation of the group headquarters by 8 officers, 2 warrant officers and 51 enlisted men in accordance with table attached as Tab A. The 481st Night Fighter Operational Training Group was inadvertently omitted from Troop Basis 1943 (Revised 4 October 1943). Consequently, the Troop Basis increase involved in connection with this unit amounts to 30 officers, 3 warrant officers and 101 enlisted men.

4. A requirement also exists for augmentation of each of the 4 OTU-RTU squadrons by 14 officers and 83 enlisted men in accordance with table attached as Tab B. The T/O under which these units are organized provides personnel for the maintenance of only 12 aircraft. Each of the OTU-RTU squadrons is required to maintain 25. Furthermore, the

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OTU-RTU squadrons have numerous administrative and instructional functions for which no provision is made in the present T/O, and likewise are the only source of cadres for newly activated combat squadrons. Similar considerations have made necessary like augmentation of OTU and RTU units of all other types.

II. Action Recommended

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the current Army Air Forces Troop Basis be adjusted to permit inclusion of 86 officers, 3 warrant officers and 433 enlisted men for Night Fighter OTU-RTU augmentation.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. A. CRAIG,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation of the 10th Statistical Control Unit

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 10th Statistical Control Unit be redesignated as the Hq & Hq Sq, 10th Replacement Control Depot without changeof station, strength or assignment.

1. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay giving the date of redesignation.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. A. CRAIG,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with AAR requests from Management Control, Statistical Control Division, subject "Redesignation of the 10th Statistical Control Unit," dated 20 Sep and 3 Nov 1943 and is necessary inasmuch as this unit does not perform any of the functions of a Statistical Control Unit. Inclosed for OPD's information are extract copies of correspondence relative to this action.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the Sixth Air Force

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That so much of paragraph 1 of letter AG 322 (18 Aug 43) OB-I-AFRPG-M, dated 8 October 1943, subject as above, as pertains to reorganization of the "Signal Hq & Hq Sq, XXVI Fighter Command" and the "687th Signal AW Co" be amended to read as follows:

Unit	Table of Organization	Table of Equipment	Authorized Strength Off	WO	EM
Sig Hq & Hq Co, AWS XXVI Fighter Command	AG Ltr (30 Nov 42) dtd 2 December 1942	Special List	12	0	82
687th Signal AW Co	11-400, 17 June 43 with the following teams: A C E F H I P R S 1 5 1 3 1 4 2 1 2	T/O & E 11-400, 17 Jun 43	17	5	306

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Same as original letter

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MERVIN E. GROSS
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.,
Deputy Assistant Chief of Air Staff
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from AC/AS, OC&R (Fighter and Air Defense Branch) by R&R, 19 October 1943, based on War Department General Staff Disposition Form, File OPD 320.2 CDC (31 Aug 43), dated 4 September 1943, subject: "Reduction of Authorization for Personnel, 687th Signal Aircraft Warning Company" directing reorganization in accordance with the action. This action will result in a decrease in authorized strength of two (2) officers, one (1) warrant officer and forty-six (46) enlisted men for the reorganized unit. This action will also correct error in AG letter referred to as it concerns Signal Hq & Hq Co, XXVI Fighter Command, which was incorrectly written "Signal Hq & Hq Sq, XXVI Fighter Command".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-3:

SUBJECT: Reorganization of Type Signal Construction Company.

1. Reference is made to Memorandum WDGCT 320 (3 July 43) this subject, to Commanding Generals, Army Air Forces, Army Ground Forces, and Army Service Forces, dated 4 October 1943.

2. In this connection, attention is invited to the attached copies of letters to the Commanding General, Army Service Forces and to the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

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H. N. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Reorganization of Type Signal Construction Company.

Commanding General, Army Ground Forces.

1. Reference is made to memorandum WDGCT 320 (3 July 43) this subject, to Commanding Generals, Army Air Forces, Army Ground Forces, and Army Service Forces, dated 4 October 1943.

2. The referenced memorandum provides that Table of Organization and Equipment for the Signal Light Construction Company and Battalion shall be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces.

3. In view of the fact that units of both types are subject to assignment to the Army Air Forces, it is requested that the Tables of Organization and the Tables of Equipment prepared by the Army Ground Forces be referred to this Headquarters for concurrence prior to their submission for final approval.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Reorganization of Type Signal Construction Company.

Commanding General, Army Service Forces.

1. Reference is made to memorandum WDGCT 320 (3 July 43) this subject, to Commanding Generals, Army Air Forces, Army Ground Forces, and Army Service Forces, dated 4 October 1943.

2. The referenced memorandum provides that Table of Organization and Equipment for the Signal Heavy Construction Company shall be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Service Forces.

3. In view of the fact that units of this type are subject to assignment to the Army Air Forces, it is requested that the Table of Organization and the Table of Equipment prepared by the Army Service Forces be referred to this Headquarters for concurrence prior to their submission for final approval.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment and Reorganization of Certain Airways Communications Squadrons

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 16th Airways Communications Squadron be disbanded at the earliest practicable date with personnel and equipment thereof to be absorbed in the 8th Airways Communications Squadron as directed by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing.

II. That, concurrently with the above action, the 8th, 11th and 16th Airways Communications Squadrons be reorganized in accordance with T/O & E 1-447, dated 6 August 1943 and Change #1, dated 1 September 1943, with authority to operate the stations shown below:

8th Airways Communications Squadron	Authorized Strength Off	WO	EM
Communications			
Regional Control Hq 1	88	1	908
Squadron Hq 1			
Class A 6			
Class B 11			
Class C 1			
Class D 28			
Class E 10			
Class T 12			
Class X 36			
Cryptographic			
Class I 6			
Class II 6			
Message Centers 6			

11th Airways Communications Squadron	Off	WO	EM
Communications	82	1	682
Regional Control Hq 1			
Squadron Hq 1			
Class A 13			
Class B 3			
Class D 2			
Class E 6			

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	Authorized Strength		
	Off	WO	EM
Communications (Cont'd)			
Class T 1			
Class X 34			
Cryptographic			
Class I 1			
Class II 13			
16th Airways Communications Squadron	98	1	854
Communications			
Regional Control Hq 1			
Squadron Hq 1			
Class A 2			
Class B 35			
Class D 14			
Class E 11			
Class T 5			
Class X 26			
Cryptographic			
Class I 1			
Class II 21			
Message Center 1			

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel required other than that to be absorbed from the disbanded squadron will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

III. That the boundaries of the following regions be changed as shown below:

8th Airways Communications Region

"To include the state of Maine, Labrador, Newfoundland, and that part of the Dominion of Canada under the jurisdiction of U.S. Army Forces, Central Canada and U.S. Army Forces in Eastern Canada."

11th Airways Communications Region

"To include that portion of the Territory of Alaska and the Aleutian Islands lying south of parallel 61° 30 minutes North."

16th Airways Communications Region

"To include that portion of the Territory of Alaska north of parallel 61° 30 minutes N. and that part of Canada under the jurisdiction of the

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Northwest Service Command, i.e., British Columbia, Alberta, Yukon Territory, and District of Mackenzie."

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding General, North Atlantic Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Alaskan Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding Officer, U.S. Army Forces in Central Canada
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

By the Command of General Arnold:

Signed

H. A. CRAIG,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on RAR's from Air Communications Officer dated 16 October 1943, subjects "Increase in Authorized Strength of 11th Airways Communications Squadron" and "Reorganization of the 8th Airways Communications Squadron," and supersedes Memorandum for The Adjutant General dated 7 October 1943, subject "Disbandment and Reorganization of Certain Airways Communications Squadrons" which was returned by OPD disposition form 320.2 (7 Oct 43) dated 8 October 1943 for additional information. This action also supersedes memorandum for The Adjutant General dated 31 July 1943, subject "Reorganization of the 8th Airways Communications Squadron" and Memorandum for The Adjutant General, dated 23 July 1943, subject "Constitution, Activation, Establishment and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Activities." This latter memorandum contemplated the activation of an additional communications region in Alaska, but it has developed that communications services in that theater can be handled adequately by reorganization of the 11th Region to include the southern portion of Alaska and the Aleutians with stations in the northern portion along ferry routes to be absorbed in the enlarged 16th Region. Such adjustments are accomplished by this action. Copies of breakdowns by stations are attached herewith for [illegible] information. These inclosures are

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for informational purposes only and should not be published with the letter. Recapitulation of present authorized strength vs requested strengths is shown below:

	Off	WO	EM
8th Airways Communications Squadron	45	3	563
11th Airways Communications Squadron	60	1	445
15th Airways Communications Squadron	28	2	308
16th Airways Communications Squadron	*69	1	636
Total	202	7	1957

* Stations authorized total 69 officers but last reorganization specified only 47 due to an error made by the AACS Wing in computing strength.

Authorizations listed herein:

8th Airways Communications Squadron	88	1	903
11th Airways Communications Squadron	82	1	682
16th Airways Communications Squadron	98	1	854
Total	268	3	2439

The reorganizations of units and readjustments of regions proposed herein have been concurred in informally by Colonel Fisher of OPD. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reorganization of certain Army Airways Communications Squadrons

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 7th and 20th Army Airways Communications Squadrons be reorganized and equipped by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing, at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment 1-447, dated 6 August 1943, to operate the following classes of stations in addition to the regional control and squadron headquarters:

7th Army Airways Communications Squadron		Total Authorized Strength	
Communications:			
Class A.....	18	Officers	107
Class C.....	6		
Class D.....	33	Warrent Officers	1
Class E.....	10		
Class T.....	12	Enlisted Men	1104
Class X.....	31		
Cryptographic:			
Class I	4		
Class II	10		
Message Center	4		

20th Army Airways Communications Squadron		Total Authorized Strength	
Communications:			
Class A.....	11	Officers	98
Class B.....	2		
Class C.....	24	Warrent Officers ...	1
Class D.....	23		
Class E.....	8	Enlisted Men	947
Class T.....	15		
Class X.....	35		

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Cryptographic:
Class I..... 5
Class II..... 8
Message Centers... 6

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Air Adjutant General) and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Army Transport Command
Commanding General, Pacific Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System
CINC, U. S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

s/Byron E. Brugge
for MERVIN E. GROSS
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.
Deputy Assistant Chief of Air Staff.
Operations, Commitments and Requirements.

Concurrences:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of 18th Airways Communications Squadron

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 18th Airways Communications Squadron be reorganized and equipped by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing, at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment 1-447, dated 6 August 1943 to operate the following classes of stations in addition to the Regional Control Headquarters and Squadron Headquarters:

STATIONS		TOTAL AUTHORIZED STRENGTH	
Communications			
Class A	14	Officers	134
Class B	2	Warrant Officers	1
Class D	23	Enlisted Men	1354
Class E	32		
Class T	17		
Class X	65		
Cryptographic			
Class I	11		
Class II	8		
Message Centers	8		

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attn: Air Adjutant General), and The Adjutant General.

4. Obligate the appropriate allotments published in Section VI, Circular No. 129, WD, dated 1 June 1943 to the extent necessary.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center
Detroit, Michigan
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Byron E. Briggs
for MERVIN E. GROSS
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.
Deputy Assistant Chief of Air Staff
Operations, Commitments and Requirements

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Concurrences:
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R dated 15 Oct 1943 from AC/AS, OC&R, Theaters Branch, subject: Reorganization of 18th Airways Communications Squadron. The action is necessary to provide additional personnel and equipment so adequate communications service can be furnished in accordance with request of the Theater Commander. The reorganization is an increase of ninety three (93) officers and eight hundred forty seven (847) enlisted men. Copies of station lists and correspondence are forwarded for OPD's information. Attention is invited to the Theater Commander's concurrence. Personnel will be within the Communications Program for all of the foreign regions, and within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF: G-3

Subject: Radar Personnel

1. The following radar personnel (not a permanent part of a table of organization) is included in the current Army Air Forces Troop Basis:

	OFF	EM
Radar Personnel	66	1770
Shown as Augmentation to certain Groups	75	150
Total	141	1920

This personnel was required for 1943 and in the Program was carried through 1944 on a cumulative basis.

2. The Air Communications Officer recently requested all Divisions requiring Army Air Forces radar personnel for the year 1944 to submit their requirements based on availability of equipment. That office studied, consolidated and has now submitted the information to Programs Division for approval.

3. The personnel requirements outlined on the attached chart, Inclosure 1, are not shown as a permanent part of any table of organization. This personnel is shown on the tables of organization only with the remarks, "Personnel to be assigned when aircraft is equipped with radar equipment."

4. The attached chart shows 1943 and 1944 radar requirements (not a permanent part of a table of organization), the amount set up in the present troop basis, and total radar personnel over and above the currently approved Army Air Forces Troop Basis.

5. It is recommended that approval be granted to include in the Army Air Forces Program the additional radar personnel necessary to man the equipment which will become available.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

1 Incl
Radar Personnel Chart.

H. A. CRAIG,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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Radar Personnel Chart.

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Brig. General, U.S. Army,
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The Air Surgeon

15 November 43

Chief of the Air Staff.

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In view of the fact that your original request was that the 1943 troop basis be changed from 19 to 30 Medical Air Evacuation Squadrons and the proposed action by the Programs Division will only increase these units from 19 to 20 squadrons your further comments reference dispatch of the attached memorandum for the Chief of Staff are desired.

AAG 320.2 (11-7-43)

MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

Incl. n/c

TO: Chief of the Air Staff.

DATE 16 November 43

FROM: Air Surgeon.

COMMENT NO. 7
RLM:BMH 6487

1. With reference to comment No. 5, paragraph 2, it is to be noted that at the present time the Alaskan Defense Command has 1/4 of 1 squadron, and not 1/8; that, in addition, the Alaskan Wing, Air Transport Command, has 1/4 of 1 squadron; that the South Atlantic Wing has 1/2 of 1 squadron; and that the African Middle East Wing, Air Transport Command, has 1/2 of 1 squadron.

2. During the month of October, 1943, more than 1,000 patients were transported by the Air Transport Command of which 578 (the largest hospital ship carries only 500) patients were evacuated directly into the United States. Full utilization of the Air Transport Command facilities for evacuation of patients is only beginning to be appreciated by the theater commanding generals, and it is therefore anticipated that Medical Air Evacuation Squadrons will be required on each of the Air Transport Command Wing routes. Inasmuch as the United Kingdom, North African, Southwest Pacific, and Central Pacific already require more than one Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron, it is also anticipated that the South Pacific, and particularly the China-Burma-India

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theater, will likewise require more than one Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron now assigned.

3. At the present time, there is a marked increase in requests for air evacuation of patients within the continental United States, and it is only logical to make full utilization of air evacuation within the United States in the future.

4. To provide for the requirements of the above paragraphs and for replacements in the active combat theaters, a very minimum of ten (10) additional Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadrons was requested. It is further to be considered that when the original request for the 1943 Troop Basis was made, it did not include ten (10) Medical Air Evacuation Units for the United Kingdom (which has not been approved by the War Department General Staff).

Inasmuch as organized air evacuation is approximately twelve months old, it must be borne in mind that full utilization of this military, logistical, and medically sound method of transporting patients has not yet been fully utilized, and the military authorities will, in the immediate future, make heavier and heavier demands on this service.

DAVID N. W. GRANT
Major General, USA
Air Surgeon

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TO: AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements - ATTENTION: Programs Branch.

DATE 18 November 43

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff

COMMENT NO. 8
MAL/mdg/5265

1. This paper appears to be getting exactly nowhere. It is not desirable to transmit a memorandum to the G-3 Division over the signature of the Chief of the Air Staff which does not have the full concurrence of all the interested agencies in the Air Staff. In the instant case, this does not appear possible as the Air Surgeon insists that his requirement is for 30 Medical Air Evacuation Squadrons while the paper prepared in your Division requests an increase only to 20 Squadrons.

2. It is directed that your Division and The Air Surgeon get together on this problem and either withdraw the paper or submit a compromised solution which will satisfy all concerned.

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The Air Surgeon

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Chief of the Air Staff.

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MILLARD A. LIBBY,
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1. At the present time nine (9) Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadrons are serving outside the continental United States. Nine (9) additional Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadrons have received alert orders for movement to Air Forces serving outside the United States.

2. The Eighth Air Force plan requires ten (10) Medical Air Evacuation Units, and at the time the program for Air Evacuation Units was established the Eighth Air Force plan was non-existent. Having supplied these ten Units for the Eighth Air Force from the program of air evacuation, it is only to be expected that certain adjustments in the program must be accomplished or the mission of the air evacuation service of the Army Air Forces cannot be accomplished.

3. It is requested that the Memorandum for the Chief of Staff be prepared so as to change the 1943 Troop Basis from nineteen (19) to thirty (30) Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadrons. Only by so doing will it be possible to provide adequately trained and staffed Air Evacuation Units to meet the ever-increasing demands of the various theaters, the Air Transport Command requirements, and those of the continental United States during the coming year.

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DAVID N. W. GRANT
Major General, USA
Air Surgeon

TO: AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements.

DATE 11 November 43

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff.

COMMENT NO. 4
MAL/mdg/5265

1. Note the change in the troop basis requested by the Air Surgeon in Paragraph 3 of the preceding comment.

2. For necessary action to prepare appropriate memorandum for the Chief of t Staff if such is in order. If the recommended change is not approved by your Programs Branch, complete remarks and further recommendations are requested.

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Major, Air Corps
Asst Secretary, Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Fighter Wings

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, assigned, and activated on 10 Nov 1943 as indicated below:

UNIT	STATION OF ACTIVATION	ASSIGNED TO & ACTIVATED BY	PRIORITY RATING
Hq & Hq Sq, 85th Fighter Wing	Seattle, Washington	Fourth Air Force	C-1-709
Hq & Hq Sq, 84th Fighter Wing	Wilmington, North Carolina	First Air Force	C-1-708

1. These units will be organized and equipped in accordance with Tableof Organization and Equipment 1-550-1, dated 6 July 1943, less Columns 8, 9, and 10, plus a Signal Section for each as indicated below:

Officers

Lt Col	1	Signal Officer, general (0210)
Major	1	Asst Regional Signal Officer (0140)
Capt	1	Asst Regional Signal Officer (0210)

Total commissioned - 3

Enlisted Men

M/Sgt	1	Administrative NCO (502)
T/Sgt	1	Administrative NCO (502)
S/Sgt	1	Administrative & Technical Clerk (501)
Sgt	1	Draftsman (070)
Cpl	1	Administrative & Technical Clerk (501)
Pvt	1	Automotive equipment operator (929)

Total enlisted - 6

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Total authorized strength for each unit will be forty-four (44) officers and one hundred ninety (190) enlisted men. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Cadres, fillers, and replacements will be provided by the respective Air Forces. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the usual manner by submission of AAF 127-A and/or 127-B.

3. These units will have priority ratings, as shown above, for controlled items of equipment.

4. The Station Commanders charged with activation of units under authority of this letter, will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the date of activation.

5. Twenty copies of the activation orders issued by the Commanders concerned pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attn: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #129, 1 June 1943.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, N.Y.
Commanding General, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Calif.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
  Chief of Ordnance
  Corps of Engineers
  Chief of Transportation Corps
  Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
  Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich.
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in R&R's from Requirements Division, one dated 26 Oct 1943, subject: "Constitution and Activation of the Hq and Hq Sq 84th Fighter Wing", and the other dated 24 Oct 1943, subject: Constitution and Activation of the Hq and Hq Sq, 85th Fighter Wing." Authority for activation of the 84th Fighter Wing is found in War Department Disposition Form dated 18 Oct 1943, subject: "Air Defenses of the Western Mediterranean." The Chief of Staff has approved the provisions of two Fighter Wings for the Twelfth Air Force and the 87th Fighter Wing is being committed to the Twelfth Air Force for one of the two Fighter Wings. The 84th Fighter Wing is to be committed to the Eighth Air Force and the 85th Fighter Wing is to be committed to the Fifth Air Force. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This Memorandum classified "Secret" because of Memorandum for Record; Published directive should be "Restricted."

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The attached is in accordance with Memorandum for Commanding Generals, Army Air Forces, Army Ground Forces, Army Service Forces; WDGCT 319.1 (3-19-42) Subject: "Reports Reference Activation of Units", April 8, 1942, requesting that a list of units activated by this Headquarters be submitted to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, semi-monthly on the 14th and 28th day of each month.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:
Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Incl
List of Units activated, redesignated, amended and disbanded, Oct 14th thru Oct 28th, 1943.

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ACTIVATIONS
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23rd Weather Region (Established)

24th Weather Region (Established)

25th Weather Region (Established)

23rd Weather Squadron -- Kansas City, Missouri

24th Weather Squadron -- Seattle, Washington

25th Weather Squadron -- Lynbrook, Long Island, New York

AAF Navigation School -- Ellington Field, Texas (Established)

AAFTAC Photo Flight (Sep) -- Orlando, Florida

Hq & Hq Sq, Tactical Air Division -- Orlando, Florida

1166th School Squadron (Sp) -- Orlando, Florida

1167th School Squadron (Sp) -- Orlando, Florida

1168th School Squadron (Sp) -- Orlando, Florida

Air Force Editorial Office Detachment -- New York, New York

2nd Photo Tech Squadron -- Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma

8th Photo Lab Section -- Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma

Avn Section, Hq, Second Service Command -- Governors Island, New York

Avn Section, Hq, Fourth Service Command -- Atlanta, Georgia

Avn Section, Hq, Sixth Service Command -- Chicago, Illinois

Avn Section, Hq, Eighth Service Command -- Dallas, Texas

Avn Section, Hq, Ninth Service Command -- Fort Douglas, Utah

AAF Glider School -- Sheppard Field, Wichita Falls, Texas (Established)

Base Air Depot #2 -- Warton, England (Established)

Hq, 92nd Combat Bomb Wing (Hv) -- Eighth Air Force

Hq, 93rd Combat Bomb Winb (Hv) -- Eighth Air Force

Hq & Hq Sq, 31st Transport Group -- Eighth Air Force

3rd Gunnery and Tow Target Flight (Sp) -- Eighth Air Force

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Hq & Hq Sq, 85th Air Depot Group -- Eighth Air Force

Hq & Hq Sq, 86th Air Depot Group -- Eighth Air Force

Hq & Hq Sq, 87th Air Depot Group -- Eighth Air Force

313th to 321st (inclusive) Transport Squadrons (Cargo & Mail) -- Eighth Air Force

311th Ferrying Squadron -- Eighth Air Force

312th Ferrying Squadron -- Eighth Air Force

765th Chemical Depot Co, Avn -- Eighth Air Force

766th Chemical Depot Co, Avn -- Eighth Air Force

1922nd Ordnance Ammunition Co, Avn -- Eighth Air Force

1923rd Ordnance Ammunition Co, Avn -- Eighth Air Force

1839th to 1843rd (inclusive) Ordnance MM Co (Avn) (Q) -- Eighth Air Force

1517th to 1520th (inclusive) Hq & Hq Det, QM Truck Bn (Avn)(Sp) -- Eighth Air Force

Hq & Hq Co, Eighth Air Force Replacement Depot -- Eighth Air Force

Hq & Hq Sq, 17th Replacement Control Depot (Avn) -- Eighth Air Force

556th Service Sq -- Eighth Air Force

1965th Ord Co, Depot, Avn -- Eighth Air Force

1966th Ord Co Depot, Avn -- Eighth Air Force

1203rd to 1217th (inclusive) QM Cos Serv Gp, Avn (RS) -- Eighth Air Force

Air Division Gunnery School -- Eighth Air Force

Eighth Air Force Central Medical Establishment -- Eighth Air Force

1st to 40th (inclusive) Mobile Reclamation & Repair Sqs -- Eighth Air Force

Eighth Air Force Intransit Depot Group -- Eighth Air Force

Military Administration Section, Base Air Depot #1 -- Eighth Air Force

Military Administration Section, Base Air Depot #2 -- Eighth Air Force

Supply Section, Base Air Depot -- Eighth Air Force

Internal Supply Section, Base Air Depot #1 -- Eighth Air Force

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Activations (Cont'd)

Internal Supply Section, Base Air Depot #2 -- Eighth Air Force

Maintenance Division, Base Air Depot #1 -- Eighth Air Force

Maintenance Division, Base Air Depot #2 -- Eighth Air Force

89th Station Complement Sq (Sp) -- Eighth Air Force

90th Station Complement Sq (Sp) -- Eighth Air Force

91st Station Complement Sq (Sp) -- Eighth Air Force

92nd Station Complement Squadron (Sp) -- Eighth Air Force

93rd Station Complement Sq (Sp) -- Eighth Air Force

94th Station Complement Sq (Sp) -- Eighth Air Force

95th Station Complement Sq (Sp) -- Eighth Air Force

Hq, 1st Veterinary Plat (Avn) -- Eighth Air Force

Hq, 2nd Veterinary Plat (Avn) -- Eighth Air Force

10th to 20th (inclusive) Veterinary Dets (Avn) -- Eighth Air Force

Hq, 349th Troop Carrier Group -- Sedalia, Missouri
311th Troop Carrier Sq -- Sedalia, Missouri
312th Troop Carrier Sq -- Sedalia, Missouri
313th Troop Carrier Sq -- Sedalia, Missouri
314th Troop Carrier Sq -- Sedalia, Missouri

AAF Redistribution Station #3, -- Miami Beach, Florida
AAF Redistribution Station #4 -- Atlantic City, N. J.

Hq & Hq Sq, Fifteenth Air Force -- North African Theater of Operations

1383rd & 1384th Military Police Companies (Avn) -- Camp Barkeley, Texas

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DISBANDMENTS

1405th QM Co, Depot Class III, Aviation,-- Serv Gp Development and Tng Center, Fort Dix, New Jersey

Med Det, 228th Antiaircraft Artillery Searchlight Bn

670th & 695th Signal Aircraft Warning Companies

9th AAF Technical Training Detachment -- Los Angeles, California

AAF Civilian School Area, Hq & Hq Det, Technical Training Command -- Boston, Massachusetts

AAF Navigation School -- Mather Field, Mills, California

1st Transport Transition Training Detachment
10th Transport Transition Training Detachment
12th Transport Transition Training Detachment

AAF School of Applied Tactics -- Orlando, Florida

Hq & Hq Sq, AAF School of Applied Tactics

512th Base Hq & Air Base Squadron

439th QM Platoon, Air Depot Group

Hq, 432nd Tactical Reconnaissance Group

26th AAF Technical Training Det -- Flint, Michigan
55th AAF Technical Training Det -- Ann Arbor, Michigan

Hq, 26th Tactical Reconnaissance Group
Hq, 70th Tactical Reconnaissance Group
Hq, 77th Tactical Reconnaissance Group

26th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron
116th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron
27th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron
113th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron
120th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron

Hq, 66th Tactical Reconnaissance Group

Air Depot Tng Station -- Albuquerque, New Mexico
Air Depot Tng Station -- New Orleans AAB, New Orleans, La.
Air Depot Tng Station -- Hensley Fld, Dallas, Texas
Air Depot Tng Station -- Stinson Fld, San Antonio, Texas
Air Depot Tng Station -- 10 Mile Station, Charleston, S.C.
Air Depot Tng Station -- Indianapolis, Indiana

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Disbandments (Cont'd)

Air Depot Tng Station -- Springfield, Illinois
Air Depot Tng Station -- Oklahoma City, Okla.

7th AAF Technical Tng Detachment -- Miami, Florida
36th AAF Technical Tng Detachment -- Nashville, Tenn.
59th AAF Technical Tng Detachment -- Chapel Hill, N.C.
76th AAF Technical Tng Detachment -- Kansas City, Mo.

21st Bomb Sq (Hv)
73rd Bomb Sq (M)

423rd Sub Depot -- Los Angeles, California

AAF Civilian School Area, Hq & Hq Det, Technical Tng Command, Detroit, Mich.

24th AAF Technical Tng Det -- Los Angeles, Calif.
43rd AAF Technical Tng Det -- Inglewood, Calif.
44th AAF Technical Tng Det -- Oakland, Calif.
47th AAF Technical Tng Det -- Lincln, Nebraska
73rd AAF Technical Tng Det -- Ft Collins, Colo.
74th AAF Technical Tng Det -- Greely, Colorado

Station #1 (Hq), AMEW-ATC
Station #2 (Sector Hq), AMEW-ATC
Station #3 (Sector Hq), AMEW-ATC
Station #4 (Sector Hq), AMEW-ATC
Station #5 thru Station #33, inclusive, AMEW-ATC

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Old Designation	New Designation
2645th Engr Utility Det (Avn)	2076th Engr Utility Det (Avn)
2646th Engr Utility Det (Avn)	2077th Engr Utility Det (Avn)
2647th Engr Utility Det (Avn)	2078th Engr Utility Det (Avn)
2648th Engr Utility Det (Avn)	2079th Engr Utility Det (Avn)
2649th Engr Utility Det (Avn)	2080th Engr Utility Det (Avn)
Company "A", 938th Engr Avn Cam Bn	941st Engr Avn Cam Co
Det, 2065th Ord Co, Avn Serv Colo. Springs	Det, 2064th Ord Co Avn Serv
Det, 903rd QM Co, Avn (Serv) Colo Springs	Det, 902nd QM Co, Avn (Serv)
Det, 853rd Sig Serv Co Avn Colo Springs	Det, 852nd Sig Serv Co, Avn
Det, 903rd QM Co Avn (Serv) Harding Fld	Det, 902nd QM Co, Avn (Serv)
Det, 853rd Sig Serv Co Avn Harding Fld	Det, 852nd Sig Serv Co, Avn
Det, 2065th Ord Co Avn, Serv Harding Fld	Det, 2064th Ord Co Avn, Serv
138th Sig Radio Intelligence Co	138th Sig Radio Intelligence Co, Avn
15th Photo Sq (Hv)	15th Combat Mapping Sq (Two-Eng)
Hq & Hq Sq, Bombardment Dept, AAFSAT	Hq & Hq Sq, AAF Tactical Center
Hq & Hq Sq, Air Defense Dept, AAFSAT	Hq & Hq Sq, Orlando Fighter Wing
Hq & Hq Sq, Air Support Dept, AAFSAT	Hq & Hq Sq, Tactical AF, AAFTAC
Hq & Hq Sq, Air Service Dept, AAFSAT	Hq & Hq Sq, AAFTAC Air Serv Comd
Hq & Hq Sq, Photo Avn Detp, AAFSAT	AAFTAC Photo Technical Unit
AAFSAT Air Force General Depot	AAFTAC Air Force General Depot
103rd Tactical Reconn Sq	40th Photo Reconn Sq
701st AAF Storage Depot	843rd AAF Specialized Depot
1st Det, (Hq), NAW-ATC	STA #1, (Hq), NAW-ATC
2nd Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #2, NAW-ATC
3rd Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #3, NAW-ATC
4th Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #4, NAW-ATC
5th Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #5, NAW-ATC
6th Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #6, NAW-ATC
7th Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #7, NAW-ATC
8th Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #8, NAW-ATC
9th Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #9, NAW-ATC

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Redesignations (Cont'd)

Old Designation	New Designation
10th Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #10, NAW-ATC
11th Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #11, NAW-ATC
12th Det, NAW-ATC	Sta #12, NAW-ATC
AAF Flexible Gunnery Instructors Sch, Buckingham AAF, Ft Myers, Fla.	AAF Instructors Sch (Flexible Gunnery), Buckingham AAF, Fla
1091st QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1091st QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1094th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1094th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1105th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1105th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1114th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1114th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1119th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1119th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1121th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1121st QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1124th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1124th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1132nd QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1132nd QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1138th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1138th QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1141st QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1141st QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1152nd QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1152nd QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
1153rd QM Co Serv Gp, Avn	1153rd QM Co Serv Gp, Avn (RS)
Northeast Airways Communications Area Headquarters	North Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters
Caribbean Airways Communications Area Headquarters	South Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters
Northwest Airways Communications Area Headquarters	Alaskan Airways Communications Area Headquarters
406th Bomb Sq (M)	406th Bomb Sq (Hv)
Hq & Hq Sq, 49th Bomb Operational Tng Wing (M)	Hq & Hq Sq, 49th Bomb Wing (M)
Hq & Hq Sq, 55th Bomb Operational Tng Wing (M)	Hq & Hq Sq, 55th Bomb Wing (M)

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AMENDMENTS

Station of Activation for the 476th Fighter Gp is Army Air Base, Richmond, Va. instead of Seymour-Johnson Field, Goldsboro, North Carolina

Letter AG 322 (9 Oct 43) OB-I-AFRPG-M, dated 12 Oct 1943, Subject: "Redesignation of Certain Air Transport Command Units" is rescinded.

Delete all reference to disbandment of the *442nd, *443rd, *444th and *450th Avn Sqs in Ltr AG 322 (27 Aug 43) OB-I-AFRPG-M, 28 Aug 1943, Subject: "Disbandment of Certain Aviation Squadrons".

The AAF School of Applied Tactics is redesignated AAF Tactical Center. Concurrently, within the AAFTAC there is established, under the command of the CG thereof, the AAF School of Applied Tactics.

Delete disbandment of Hq & Hq Sq, AAF School of Applied Tactics.

Delete all reference to Hq, 66th Tactical Recomn Gp in Ltr AG 322 (19 Oct 43) OB-I-AFRPG-M, 21 Oct 1943, Subject: "Constitution, Activation, Reassignment, Redesignation, Reorganization and Disbandment of Certain AAF Units".

Delete constitution of the 1367th and 1368th QM Depot Subsistence Cos (Avn) at Tobyhanna, Pa. from G-3 Report.

INACTIVATIONS

23rd Antisubmarine Sq (Hv) (Ground Echelon only)

6th Antisubmarine Sq (Hv) (Ground echelon only)

22nd Antisubmarine Sq (Hv) (Ground echelon only)

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31 OCT 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution, Activation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 322 (13 Oct 43)OB-I-AFRPG-M, dated 19 October 1943, subject as above, be amended as follows:

Change paragraph 2 to show that each Detachment will be organized in accordance with T/O & E 1-80-1S, 21 August 1943 instead of "T/O 1-560-1S, 9 March 1943".

Change Paragraph 4 to show that each Detachment will be equipped in accordance with T/O & E 1-80-1S, 21 August 1943 instead of "T/E 1-560-1S".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Same as original letter.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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B. B. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrence:
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is desirable in order to place the units concerned under the latest Table of Organization and Equipment for such units. This action does not change the authorized strength of the units concerned. Although Theater Commanders already have authority to reorganize their units under latest T/O's when received, it is believed advisable to publish specific authority in this instance because of the fact that the new T/O & E bears a different number.

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26 Oct 1943
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30 OCT 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Airways Communications Area Headquarters

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be redesignated as indicated, without change in station or assignment:

Present Designation	New Designation
Northeast Airways Communications Area Headquarters	North Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters
Caribbean Airways Communications Area Headquarters	South Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters
Northwest Airways Communications Area Headquarters	Alaskan Airways Communications Area Headquarters

1. Confirmation of redesignation will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding Officer, North Atlantic Airways Communications Area Hq
Commanding Officer, South Atlantic Airways Communications Area Hq
Commanding Officer, Alaskan Airways Communications Area Hq
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. B. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

GPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from Air Communications Officer, Plans and Tactical Applications by M&R, subject "Redesignation of Airways Communications Area," dated 19 October 1943, based on letter from the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing, dated 22 September 1943, and is necessary in order to more readily establish their identification as to associated theatres pending publication of revised AAF Regulation 100-2, which was submitted 10 September 1943.

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Service Groups for CBI Theatre.

Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Plans.

30 October 43

Chief of the Air Staff.

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The attached memorandum is forwarded for remark and recommendation.

MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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Engineer Aviation Topographic Program.

TO: Chief of the Air Staff. Date: 29 October 1943

FROM: AC/AS, OC&R, Programs Division Comment No. 3
BEB:mls 4563

The Army Air Forces will meet in a series of conferences with the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, War Department General Staff, beginning on or about 15 November 1943 to discuss in detail all sections of the Troop Basis and to recommend and make adjustments necessary at that time. At these conferences the Air Forces representatives will endeavor to have the Troop Basis amended to include the personnel requested by General Godfrey.

Incls-n/c

BYRON E. BRUGGE
Colonel, Air Corps.

TO: AC/AS, Materiel, Maintenance & Distribution - ATTENTION: Air Engineer

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff.

DATE 30 October 43

COMMENT NO. 4
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Note action contemplated by the Programs Division as stated in the preceding comment.

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MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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Chief of the Air Staff.

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Your comments reference the foregoing are requested.

MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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Assignment of Weather Squadrons

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements — 20 Oct. 1943
AC/AS, Op., Com. and Req., Weather Division — 1.
MHB/gep/71096

1. The attached staff study to the Chief of Staff and letter to the Commanding General, Air Transport Command, are intended to clear up difficulties which have recently arisen with respect to the assignment of certain weather squadrons.

2. It is recommended:

a. That the attached communications be approved and forwarded for signature.

b. That if the attached staff study is approved by the Chief of Staff, the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, adopt a policy which would provide for:

(1) The assignment of all weather squadrons under his jurisdiction, either operating within or outside the continental United States, to the A.A.F. Weather Wing;

(2) The attachment of those squadrons whose activities are principally outside the continental United States to the appropriate Command for such purposes as may be deemed necessary.

H. H. BASSETT
Colonel, Air Corps

2 Attachments -
#1 - Staff Study
#2 - Ltr. to CG, ATC

TO: Chief of the Air Staff — DATE

FROM: Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements. — COMMENT NO. 2

Concur in preceding recommendations.

H. A. CRAIG
Brigadier General, U. S. A.

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Assignment of Weather Squadrons

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements.

Chief of the Air Staff

1. Staff Study on "Assignment of Weather Squadrons" has been approved and forwarded to the Chief of Staff for consideration.

2. Letter to the Commanding General, Air Transport Command, has been approved and forwarded.

3. Recommendation in paragraph 2b, Comment No. 1, is approved.

BARNEY M. GILES
Major General, U.S.A.

Attachments
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TO: AG/AS, Op., Com. and Req., Weather Division

FROM: Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements.

DATE

COMMENT NO. 4

For your information and necessary action.

H. A. CRAIG
Brigadier General, U.S.A.

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SUBJECT: Assignment of Weather Squadrons

TO: Commanding General
Air Transport Command
A.A.F. Annex #1
Gravelly Point, Va.

1. Attached hereto for your information is a copy of a staff study which has been forwarded to the Chief of Staff for consideration.

2. If the recommendation contained in this staff study is approved, it will be the general policy of this headquarters to recommend that all weather squadrons under its jurisdiction, whether operating within or outside the continental United States, be assigned to the A.A.F. Weather Wing; further, that those squadrons those operations are principally outside the continental United States be attached to the appropriate Command for such purposes as may be deemed necessary.

3. As indicated in the attached study, the purpose of this policy is to avoid the establishment of two weather headquarters agencies, both of which would be concerned with the coordination and control of the operational activities of the weather squadrons which are under the jurisdiction of this headquarters. It is believed that the present weather headquarters agencies, aided by constructive criticism and cooperation from your staff weather officers, can provide a weather service which will be adequate to meet all needs of the Air Transport Command.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed

BARNEY M. GILES
Major General, U. S. A.
Chief of the Air Staff

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Assignment of Weather Squadrons

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements.

Chief of the Air Staff

1. Staff Study on "Assignment of Weather Squadrons" has been approved and forwarded to the Chief of Staff for consideration.

2. Letter to the Commanding General, Air Transport Command, has been approved and forwarded.

3. Recommendation in paragraph 5b, Comment No. 1, is approved.

BARNEY M. GILES
Major General, U.S.A.

Attachments
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TO: AC/AS, Op., Com. and Req., Weather Division

DATE

FROM: Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments and Requirements.

COMMENT NO. 4

For your information and necessary action.

H. A. CRAIG
Brigadier General, U.S.A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attention: A.C. of S., OPD.)

Subject: Assignment of Weather Squadrons

I. Discussion

1. Present policy is clear-cut with regard to the assignment of weather squadrons in the continental United States and in foreign combat theaters. In the first case, assignment is to the Army Air Forces Weather Wing and in the second, to the theater concerned.

2. There is some ambiguity, however, in the case of those squadrons whose activities are almost entirely devoted to fulfilling the weather needs along the air routes connecting the combat theaters with the continental United States.

Present assignments of weather squadrons in this category are indicated below:

TABLE

UNIT	ASSIGNED TO	GENERAL OPERATING AREA
8th Weather Squadron	A.A.F. Weather Wing	Northeast Route
9th Weather Squadron	Caribbean Wing, ATC	Antilles Department
22d Weather Squadron	South American Wing, ATC	U.S.A.F.S.A. Area.
16th Weather Squadron	A.A.F. Weather Wing	Northwest Route

3. It has recently become apparent that the varied assignment status of the above units is leading to unnecessary difficulties which will be detrimental to the overall efficiency of the A.A.F. weather service and wasteful of personnel.

4. These difficulties arise from the fact that if weather squadrons are assigned to the Air Transport Command, an agency must be established in the headquarters thereof to coordinate and control their activities just as the A.A.F. Weather Wing now does with respect to the squadrons assigned to it.

5. Such an arrangement is unsound because one weather headquarters agency is sufficient to control and coordinate the activi-

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ties of all weather squadrons operating under the jurisdiction of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, and obviously a weather squadron assigned to an Air Transport Command Wing is operating under the jurisdiction of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, even though it may be outside the continental United States.

6. Paragraph 1a(6), WD AGO Memorandum W 95-19-43, dated 29 July 1943, authorizes the Commanding General, Army Air Forces to provide weather services in areas outside the continental United States where such services are not furnished by the theater command; however, it does not specify that in such areas the weather units required to furnish such service shall be assigned to any particular organization.

7. It is therefore concluded that weather squadrons which operate in the areas referred to in the preceding paragraph, should be assigned by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, in such a manner as will provide for the most efficient weather service.

II. Action recommended

That the attached draft of letter amending previous policies and directives on the assignment of weather squadrons, be approved and published.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

BARNEY M. GILES
Major General, U. S. A.
Chief of Air Staff

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SUBJECT: Assignment of Weather Squadrons.

TO: Commanding Generals,
Army Air Forces
Army Service Forces
Caribbean Defense Command
Air Transport Command
Antilles Department

1. So much of letter AG 373.2 (10 May 43) OB-I-F m subject "Air Transport Command Operations in the Caribbean-Antilles Area" dated 8 June 1943, as pertains to the assignment of weather personnel or units in that area, is amended to provide that these personnel and units will be assigned to A.A.F. organizations in accordance with recommendations to be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

2. Similar action will be taken in the future with respect to weather personnel or units which are required to provide weather service in areas outside the continental United States where such service is not provided by theater or defense commanders.

3. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces will take the necessary implementing action in conformity with the above.

By order of the Secretary of War:

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Personnel for the Air Communications Division, Hq Army Air Forces

Chief of the Air Staff

23 Oct 1943

Management Control

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1. Creation of the Air Communications Division, placing responsibility for all staff communications functions under one head in Washington, necessitates an increase in Hq AAF personnel allotments.

2. The attached Memorandum for the Deputy Chief of Staff has the concurrence of General McClelland. Dr. Bowles is also familiar and in agreement with its contents.

3. Recommend signature.

BYRON E. GATES
Brigadier General, United States Army
Chief, Management Control

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Disbandment and Reorganization of Certain Airways Communications Squadrons

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 10th Airways Communications Squadron be disbanded at the earliest practicable date with personnel and equipment thereof to be absorbed in the 8th Airways Communications Squadron as directed by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing.

II. That, concurrently with the above action, the 8th, 11th, and 16th Airways Communications Squadrons be reorganized in accordance with T/O & E 1-447, dated 6 August 1943 and Change #1, dated 1 September 1943, with authority to operate, in addition to squadron and regional headquarters, the stations shown below:

8th Airways Communications Squadron	Authorized Strength		
Communications	OFF	WO	EM
Class A		1	903
Class B			
Class C			
Class D			
Class E			
Class T			
Class X			
Cryptography			
Class T			
Class II			
Message Centers			

11th Airways Communications Squadron			
Communications	OFF	WO	EM
Class A	83	1	662
Class B			
Class D			
Class E			
Class T			
Class X			
Cryptography			
Class T			
Class II			

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16th Airways Communications Squadron	Authorized Strength		
Communications	Off	WO	EM
Class A 2	98	1	884
Class B 26			
Class D 14			
Class E 11			
Class F 8			
Class K 36			
Cryptographic			
Class I 1			
Class II 21			
Message Center 1			

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel required other than that to be absorbed from the disbanded squadron will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. Twenty copies of the Order issued by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

III. That the boundaries of the following regions be changed as shown below:

8th Airways Communications Region

"To include the state of Maine, Labrador, Newfoundland, and that part of the Dominion of Canada under the jurisdiction of U.S. Army Forces, Central Canada, and U.S. Army Forces in Eastern Canada."

11th Airways Communications Region

"To include that portion of the Territory of Alaska and the Aleutian Islands lying south of parallel 61° 30 minutes N."

16th Airways Communications Region

"To include that portion of the Territory of Alaska north of parallel 61° 30 minutes N, and that part of Canada under the jurisdiction of the Northwest Service Command, i.e., British Columbia, Alberta, Yukon Territory, and District of Mackenzie."

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding General, North Atlantic Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Alaskan Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command
Commanding Officer, U.S. Army Forces in Central Canada

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Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on RAR's from Air Communications Officer dated 16 October 1943, subjects "Increase in Authorized Strength of 11th Airways Communications Squadron" and "Reorganization of the 8th Airways Communications Squadron," and supersedes Memorandum for The Adjutant General dated 7 October 1943, subject "Disbandment and Reorganization of Certain Airways Communications Squadrons" which was returned by OPD disposition form 320.2 (7 Oct 43) dated 8 October 1943 for additional information. This action also supersedes memorandum for The Adjutant General dated 21 July 1943, subject "Reorganization of the 8th Airways Communications Squadron" and Memorandum for the Adjutant General, dated 23 July 1943, subject "Constitution, Activation, Reestablishment and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Activities." This latter memorandum contemplated the activation of an additional communications region in Alaska, but it has developed that communications services in that theater can be handled adequately by reorganization of the 11th Region to include the southern portion of Alaska and the Aleutians with stations in the northern portion along ferry routes to be absorbed in the enlarged 18th Region. Such adjustments are accomplished by this action. Copies of breakdowns by stations are attached herewith for OPD's information. These inclosures are for informational purposes only and should not be published with the letter. Recapitulation of present authorized strength vs requested strengths is shown

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below:

	Off	WD	EM
8th Airways Communications Squadron	46	3	885
11th Airways Communications Squadron	11	36	296
13th Airways Communications Squadron	28	2	303
16th Airways Communications Squadron	47	1	486
Total	131	41	1970

Authorizations listed herein:

8th Airways Communications Squadron	88	1	903
11th Airways Communications Squadron	82	1	662
16th Airways Communications Squadron	88	1	864
Total	258	3	2429

The reorganizations of units and readjustments of regions proposed herein have been concurred in informally by Colonel Fisher of OPD. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attention G-3 Division)

Subject: Tables of Organization for Engineer General Service Units (Engineer Construction Activities).

I. Discussion

1. Reference is made to WDGS Disposition Form, G-3 Division, dated 2 October 1943, subject as above. Reference is made also to letter file 320.2(8) (6 May 43)GNGCT, dated 24 June 1943, Subject: "Tables of Organization for Engineer General Service Units," attached as Tab A.

2. The Army Air Forces at present includes an engineer component of approximately 90 engineer aviation battalions. These units are admirably designed for the purpose intended of constructing, maintaining, and assisting in the defense of airdromes. With the assistance of the Chief of Engineers and the War Department, their organization, their personnel, and their equipment have been shaped for the particular needs of the Army Air Forces. Their performance in overseas theaters has been noteworthy in its effectiveness.

3. There are obvious advantages in having as few special type units as practicable. It is true that engineer units of various types, including combat engineers, have had to take part in the important task of building airdromes. It is also true that engineer aviation battalions, with their heavy earth moving equipment, are well suited for work on roads and can be so used by theater commanders. However, it is believed that a task of the magnitude of airdrome construction fully justifies the existence of a unit planned especially for that purpose, and assigned to the Army Air Forces, in order that an air force, like other combat forces, may normally control the engineers who are building its vitally important forward installations.

4. As to the grouping of battalions into engineer construction groups, this objective is being obtained by the assignment to the large air forces of several engineer aviation regiments (less three battalions). The regimental headquarters and service company provides an entirely suitable organization for supervising and assisting the work of from three to six battalions. In the smaller air forces this function is adequately served by the air force engineer and his headquarters company.

5. As to the cellular type of organization proposed, this headquarters concurs with the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces, in believing that the balanced standard organization is far preferable for construction units.

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6. It does not appear that the comments of the Chief of Engineers on this proposed reorganization, affecting radically so many engineer units, have been obtained. Nor are any comments from theaters of operation cited as to the need of any change in the present organization of engineer troops.

II. Action recommended

For the above reasons, the Army Air Forces are opposed to any change that would affect materially the distinctive character of the engineer aviation battalions. Their present organization has successfully met the test of war, and is entirely adequate for the mission assigned them.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

EDWIN S. PERRIN
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Certain Engineer Utility Detachments (Avn)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 2645th to 2649th Engineer Utility Detachments (Avn), inclusive, be redesignated as the 2076th to 2080th Engineer Utility Detachments (Avn), inclusive, without change of station, assignment or present authorized strength.

1. Confirmation of redesignation will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations (Air Mail)
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Engineers
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Radio H-2332 dated 12 Oct 43 from Algiers and is necessary in order to clarify numbers used for provisional units in the Theater and regular WD authorized units. Present numbers are in a block reserved for provisional units activated in the Theater. This action has been concurred in by Col. Lee of OPD-WDGS, who states that formal concurrence is not necessary. New numbers were concurred in by AGF (Col. Lusby).

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SUBJECT: Clarification of Information.

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W. D. Hq. Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C. 29 October 1943.
To: Commanding General, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio.

1. As a result of certain cuts made by G-3 in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis and especially in Chemical Companies, Air Operations, the reduction to forty-five (45) units in December was necessary. The increase as shown in January, making a total of ninety-one units, was an endeavor by the Programs Branch to show the requirements as stated by the Army Air Forces for that period.

2. Attention is invited to the covering R&R which indicates the cuts made in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis by G-3, War Department General Staff. It is believed that this covering R&R is self-explanatory and will enable a clear interpretation of the Army Air Forces Program published October 1, 1943. The Programs Branch is in the process of publishing a new program in which the G-3 Troop Basis, as approved by the Chief of Staff, will be shown.

By command of General ARNOLD:

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Headquarters
Air Service Command

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SUBJECT: Clarification of Information.

TO: Brig. General L. P. Whitten
Chief, Air Services Division
Office of the Ass't C/AS, MM&D
Att: Program Branch, AC/AS
Operations, Commitments, and Requirements.
Washington, D. C.

1. Reference is made to "Troop Basis — Summary of Units—Part I, AAF Program, 1 October 43", prepared by Programs Branch, AC/AS, O.C.AR.

2. It is noted that Page 57, item 1, pertaining to Chemical Companies, Air Operations, shows a decrease in the total number of these organizations from 81 in October 43 to 75 in November and to 45 in December. This is a decrease in Companies in the A.S.C. without a corresponding increase in overseas units. In January there is shown an increase of 46 units in the A.S.C. while the 6 shown in the A.S.C. in December, apparently go to increase the overseas total in January.

3. It is requested that the decrease in the number of units from October through December and the large increase in January be clarified, so that cognisance can be taken in the preparation of training plans.

For the Commanding General:

H. F. LATHAM
Captain, Air Corps
Asst. Control Office, Plans Section.

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Troop Basis - Distribution of Units, Part Two, AAF Program

Office of The Surgeon General
Army Service Forces, Washington, 25, D. C.

Attached herewith Copy No. 14 of the Troop Basis - Distribution of Units, Part Two, Army Air Forces Program.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Att: Col E R McReynolds

Attached herewith Copy No. 09 of the Troop Basis - Distribution of Units, Part Two, Army Air Forces Program.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Colonel, G. S. C.
Secretary, Air Staff

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Attached herewith Copy No. 49 of the Troop Basis - Distribution of Units, Part Two, Army Air Forces Program.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. N. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation, Reorganization and Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be redesignated as indicated and reorganized and equipped by the commanders concerned at the earliest practicable date in accordance with the following:

Present Designation	New Designation	T/O & E
Hq. 3rd Photo Sq	Hq. 3rd Photo Sq, Rcn	1-768, 14 Sep 1943
Hq. 4th Photo Sq	Hq. 4th Photo Sq, Rcn	1-768, 14 Sep 1943
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Hq. 6th Photo Sq	Hq. 6th Photo Sq, Rcn	1-768, 14 Sep 1943
Hq. 7th Photo Sq	Hq. 7th Photo Sq, Rcn	1-768, 14 Sep 1943
Hq. 67th Rcn Sq	Hq. 67th Tactical Rcn Sq	1-287, 11 Sep 1943
Hq. 68th Rcn Sq	Hq. 68th Tactical Rcn Sq	1-287, 11 Sep 1943
17th Rcn Sq (F)	17th Tactical Rcn Sq	1-287, 20 Sep 1943
109th Rcn Sq (F)	109th Tactical Rcn Sq	1-287, 20 Sep 1943
109th Rcn Sq (F)	109th Tactical Rcn Sq	1-287, 20 Sep 1943
111th Rcn Sq (F)	111th Tactical Rcn Sq	1-287, 20 Sep 1943
154th Rcn Sq (F)	154th Tactical Rcn Sq	1-287, 20 Sep 1943
86th Rcn Sq (M)	86th Combat Mapping Sq (4-Engine)	1-788, 20 Sep 1943
18th Photo Sq (Hv) (Ground Echelon only)	18th Combat Mapping Sq (4-Engine)(Ground Echelon only)	1-788, 20 Sep 1943
8th Photo Sq (L)	8th Photo Rcn Sq	1-787, 17 Sep 1943
9th Photo Sq (L)	9th Photo Rcn Sq	1-787, 17 Sep 1943
12th Photo Sq (L)	12th Photo Rcn Sq	1-787, 17 Sep 1943
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31st Photo Sq (L)	31st Photo Rcn Sq	1-787, 17 Sep 1943
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1. Filler personnel that cannot be supplied from surplus resulting from reorganizations directed herein will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

2. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

II. That the following units be relieved from their present assignments and reassigned as indicated:

Unit	New Assignment
15th Tactical Rcn Sq	67th Tactical Rcn Gp
107th Tactical Rcn Sq	67th Tactical Rcn Gp
109th Tactical Rcn Sq	67th Tactical Rcn Gp
111th Tactical Rcn Sq	68th Tactical Rcn Gp
154th Tactical Rcn Sq	69th Tactical Rcn Gp
12th Photo Rcn Sq	7th Photo Gp, Rcn
14th Photo Rcn Sq	7th Photo Gp, Rcn
8th Photo Rcn Sq	8th Photo Gp, Rcn
13th Photo Rcn Sq	3rd Photo Gp, Rcn
22nd Photo Rcn Sq	9th Photo Gp, Rcn
31st Photo Sq (L)	(Relieved from present group assignment and not reassigned)

III. That dates of reorganizations and confirmation of redesignations and reassignments be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General by letter without delay.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:

CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Near Rabaul
Commanding General, North African Theater
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Air Service Command
CINC-U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
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Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with AAF's from Requirements Division, dated 27 September 1943, subject "Request for Redesignation, Reorganization and Re-Equipment of Certain Reconnaissance Units in Theaters", and 4 October 1943, subject "Redesignation, Reorganization and Re-Equipping of Reconnaissance Units in Twelfth Air Force". Heretofore, most Reconnaissance units have been organized under tentative tables of organization of F/A/T's, and this action is necessary to authorize the recently approved T/O & E's in line with the revised Reconnaissance program. Reorganization effects each type of unit as shown below:

	Increase			Decrease		
	Off	WO	EM	Off	WO	EM
Sq, Photo Sp, Rcn	6	-	17	-	-	-
Sq, Tactical Rcn Sp	-	-	-	4	-	17
Tactical Rcn Sq	7	-	-	-	-	94
Combat Mapping Sq	-	1	88	4	-	-
Combat Mapping Sq (Ground Echelon)	-	1	-	2	-	9
Photo Rcn Sq	9	1	72	-	-	-

Total increase which will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces resulting from this action is one hundred forty-two (142) officers, eleven (11) warrant officers and six hundred two (602) enlisted men.

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TO: Deputy Chief of Air Staff. (General Perrin)

FROM: AC.AS, OC&R, Programs Branch

12 Oct '43
Comment No. 2
BEB:dal 4563

1. Attached hereto is a letter to the Commanding General, Second Air Force. In view of the transfer of the 58th Wing to the Second Air Force, the activation of the special unit is not believed to be necessary.

BYRON E. BRUGGE
Colonel, AC

Incl:
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12 October 1943

SUBJECT: B-29 Trained Specialists

TO: Commanding General
Second Air Force
Colorado Springs, Colorado

1. Under directive contained in letter AG 322 (9 October 1943) dated 11 October 1943, subject: Reassignment and Reorganization of the 58th Bombarment Wing, (Hv); the 58th Bombardment Wing (Hv was assigned to the Second Air Force.

2. Prior to this assignment it was planned to activate and assign to this Wing a Depot Repair Squadron to be used as a vehicle for containing certain B-29 trained specialists who for certain reasons had failed to qualify as combat crew men. These specialists were to be retained to form the cadre for Service Units to be activated to support the 58th Bombardment Wing (Hv).

3. It is directed that all B-29 trained specialists be retained in the Second Air Force and assigned, insofar as possible, to duty at stations serving B-29 units. When Service Units for the 58th Bombardment Wing are activated, these specialists should be assigned thereto.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed

EDWIN S. PERRIN
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 13 OCT 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the Hq & Hq Sq, 87th Fighter Wing

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the Hq and Hq Sq, 87th Fighter Wing be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Mitchel Field, New York on 25 October 1943.

1. This unit will be organized and equipped in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment 1-550-1, dated 6 July 1943, less Columns 8, 9, and 10, plus a Signal Section as indicated below:

Officers

Lt Col	1	Signal Officer, general (0210)
Major	1	Asst Regional Signal officer (0140)
Capt	1	Asst Regional Signal officer (0210)

Total commissioned - 3

Enlisted Men

M/Sgt	1	Administrative NCO (502)
T/Sgt	x1	Administrative NCO (502)
S/Sgt	x1	Administrative & Technical Clerk (501)
Sgt	x1	Draftsman (070)
Cpl	1	Administrative and technical Clerk (501)
Pvt	x1	Automotive equipment operator (929)

Total enlisted - 6

X Positions that could be filled by women

Total authorized strength will be forty four (44) officers and one hundred ninety (190) enlisted men. Officers and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Cadre, fillers, and replacements will be provided by the First Air Force. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the usual manner by submission of AAF Forms 127-A and/or 127-B.

3. This unit will have a priority rating of A-20-1 for controlled items of equipment.

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4. The Station Commander charged with activation of unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the date of activation.

5. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, First Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #129, 1 June 1943.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Fld, N.Y.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested in RAR from Requirements Division, dated 8 October 1943, subject: Activation of the 84th Hq & Hq Sq, Fighter Wing. The numerical designation is being changed to 87 with concurrence of Lt. Col. Ramage, AFRAB. The 87th Fighter Wing is committed for U.K. as part of the Bradley Plan and activation at this time is necessary for it to be organized, trained and equipped in time to meet the commitment date. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This Memorandum classified 'Secret' because of Memorandum for Record; Published directive should be 'Restricted.

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11 October 1943

SUBJECT: Disbandment of Army Air Forces Units

TO : Commanding General, New York Port of Embarkation, 1st Avenue and 58th Street, Brooklyn, New York.

1. As a result of recent War Department directive requiring very substantial reduction in the Army Air Forces troop basis for some of interior installations, it is necessary that overhead activities in the continental United States be reduced to an absolute minimum.

2. In order to comply with the above mentioned directive all non essential overhead Army Air Forces units must be disbanded. In this connection, this Headquarters is giving consideration to disbandment of the AAF Command Group, Non Divisional Units, Camp Kilmer, New Jersey.

3. Information is requested with regard to the continuant necessity for the unit referred to in the preceding paragraph, together with comment and recommendations concerning disbandment of such unit.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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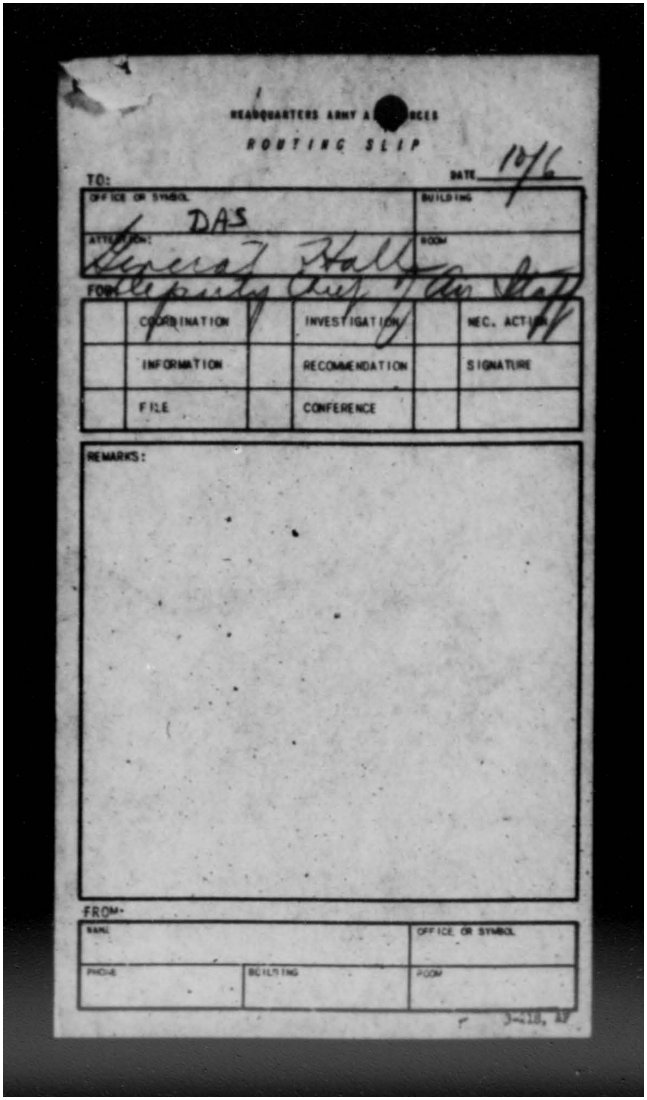

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FOR Deputy Asst. Chief of Air Staff

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Request for Transfer of 58th Bombardment Wing (H).

Asst/CAS, OCR, Allocations and Progress Division,
Progress Branch
Asst/CAS, OCR, Requirements Division

4 Oct. 1943

Lt. Col. Coffield/vd/71808

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immediately

1. Request that the 58th Bombardment Wing (H) be transferred to the Second Air Force without change of station.

2. This transfer is requested in accordance with the instructions of General Giles.

O & P Sec. _____

Bomb. Branch _____

Asst/CAS, Training _____

Gen. Hall _____

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ALFRED R. MAXWELL,
Colonel, Air Corps.
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Inactivation of the Hq & Hq Sq, 73rd Bombardment Operational Training Wing (Heavy)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Hq & Hq Sq, 73rd Bombardment Operational Training Wing (Hv) be inactivated on 15 Oct 1943, with personnel and equipment thereof to be absorbed in other units under the control of the Second Air Force.

1. Twenty copies of the inactivation order issued by the Commanding General, Second Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Br, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Colorado Springs, Colo
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on M&R #4 dated 30 Sep 1943 from ACAS, Training, subject "Change in Status of Training Wings" and is taken due to the fact that the 58th Bomb Wing (Hv) quite likely will be delayed in transfer to a theater because of changes in the aircraft production schedule. The 73rd Wing will be utilized in the B-29 program when the 58th departs, and

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since the actual need will not develop as originally planned, inactivation of the 73rd Wing is desirable to release personnel for utilization in other units. If and when this Wing is needed in connection with the B-29 program, [redacted] reactivated and authorized to fill with personnel. This paper is classified CONFIDENTIAL due to this memorandum for record but publication should be RESTRICTED.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

8 OCT 1943

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Signal Companies Avn

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Message Center Sections (Column 6 of T/O 11-217, dated 19 May 1942) of the 412th and 416th Signal Companies Aviation be reorganized in accordance with Column 21 (DE) of T/O and E 11-500, dated 1 July 1943. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

1. This is a temporary authorization which will terminate automatically on publication of a new Table of Organization and Equipment for Signal Companies Aviation.

2. Filler personnel will be provided by the Twelfth Air Force.

3. No additional unit equipment is necessitated by this reorganization.

4. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention Air Adjutant General) and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations be notified of this action by radio giving file designation of published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. Hewitt
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrence:
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on request from the Theater in Message #R-1169, dated 28 Sep 43 (CM-IN-19920) and will be a temporary increase of 10 officers and 34 enlisted men in each company. Reference is made to reply by Theaters Branch in Dook Message #8968 to MATO dated 30 Sep 43 which was concurred in by Col. Hubbard of OPD. Cryptographic personnel in excess of present authorization is on duty with these units in this theater and this action merely provides grades to be utilized pending publication of a new T/O which will include a larger message center section than heretofore. Action is being taken by this Headquarters to process and publish the new T/O. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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REMARKS:

1. Noted by General Hall.
2. File. Another paper supercedes this.

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NAME	OFFICE OR SYMBOL
Lt. Col. Harper	CAS
PHONE 73691 / BUILDING Pent	ROOM 3E1031

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SUBJECT: Rotation of AAF Personnel to Combat Zones

TO: Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

DATE 10-7-43

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

COMMENT NO. 1
WEH:JT 5246

1. As a result of conferences with the Senators who have just completed an around the world trip, General Giles directs that your division investigate the report that at certain isolated stations where troops are not in contact with the enemy, Army Air Forces ground personnel have been stationed for an unduly long period of time. This has resulted in extremely low morale and it is desired that they be moved to a combat zone or returned to the U.S.

2. It is realized that this matter is under theatre control; however, it can be be investigated and General Giles desires that such action be started.

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WILLIAM E. HALL,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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TO: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Hall)

DATE: 12 Oct 1943

FROM: Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

COMMENT NO: 2
ESW/et 5750

1. The entire problem of rotation of other than aircrew personnel is under consideration by the Army Air Forces Personnel Board as directed by the Chief of Air Staff. It is contemplated that this board will submit on or about Monday October 18, to the Chief of Air Staff, a plan to accomplish this rotation.

2. In connection with the request that action be taken as is necessary to effect rotation of personnel within theatres of operation and between theatres of operation, it is recommended that this ltr be referred to AGAS/OC&R.

J. M. BEVANS,
Brig. General, U. S. Army,
Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

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FROM: Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel COMMENT NO: 2
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2. In connection with the request that action be taken as is necessary to effect rotation of personnel within the theaters of operation, [illegible] theaters of operation.

J. M. REVANS,
Brig. General, U. S. Army,
Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

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Rotation of AAF Personnel to Combat Zones

AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements — 15 Oct 43

Secretary of the Air Staff — 3

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1. Noted.

2. Forwarded to you in accordance with suggestion contained in Paragraph 2, Comment No. 2.

WILLIAM E. HALL
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements — 15 Oct 43

Secretary of the Air Staff — 3

RHH/ee/73691

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WILLIAM E. HALL
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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Rotation of AAF Personnel to Combat Zones

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel 10-7-43

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

WEH:JT 5246 [1]

1. As a result of conferences with the Senators who have just completed an around the world trip, General Giles directs that your division investigate the report that at certain isolated stations where troops are not in contact with the enemy, Army Air Forces ground personnel have been stationed for an unduly long period of time. This has resulted in extremely low morale and it is desired that they be moved to a combat zone or returned to the U.S.

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WILLIAM E. HALL,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL: 7 OCT 1943

Subject: Constitution, Activation and Assignment of the 870th Signal Service Detachment (Aviation).

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That notice be given by restricted directive that the 870th Signal Service Detachment (Aviation) is constituted, assigned to the Fourth Air Force, and will be activated by the Commanding General thereof on 8 October 1943, at Pinedale, California, in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment No. 11-500, 1 July 1943, with two (2) one (1) kilowatt teams, each composed of one (1) column 7, AN, one (1) column 17, DA and one (1) column 32, HI, and seven (7) three hundred (300) watt teams, each composed of one (1) column 7, AN, one (1) column 17, DA, and one (1) column 32, HH.

1. Total authorized strength of this detachment will be nine (9) officers and one hundred thirty-six (136) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Personnel for manning this detachment will be furnished by the Fourth Air Force from personnel supplied to that Command by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (AC/AS, Personnel) for that purpose. Personnel replacement will be accomplished in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form No. 127-A and/or No. 127-B.

3. This detachment will be fully manned, equipped and begin training for functional duty as soon as practicable after date of activation. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be A-3.

4. This detachment will be equipped in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment No. 11-500, 1 July 1943.

a. The following equipment is authorized for each one (1) kilowatt team over and above that already authorized under T/O & E 11-500:

One (1) each BC-339 and the associated equipment necessary for complete and independent operation. Dual gasoline driven power equipment must be supplied since commercial power will not be available. This equipment must operate on

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the following crystal controlled frequencies: transmitter for team No. 1, 3985; 6860; 9386 and 12130 KC. Transmitter for team No. 2, 4035; 6890; 9415 and 12180 KC. Two (2) crystals must be supplied for each of the listed frequencies.

b. The following equipment is authorized for each three hundred (300) watt team over and above that already authorized under T/O & E 11-500:

One (1) each SCR-499 and the associated equipment for complete and independent operation. Dual gasoline driven power equipment must be supplied since no commercial power will be available. This equipment must operate over the frequency range of 2.0 to 18.0 mc.

5. Twenty (20) copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. The Station Commander charged with the activation of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant General of the date of activation.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #129, 1 June 1943.

II. That notice be given by secret directive to the Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area, that the 870th Signal Service Detachment, now being constituted and activated, and to be designated "FORSOOTH" for shipment, will upon arrival at its overseas destination be assigned to the Fifth Air Force for attachment to the 419th Signal Company, Air Force, for duty.

1. The date and station of assignment will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area (By radio and letter)
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force (by Air Mail)
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Calif.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Chief Signal Officer
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan

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Detroit, Michigan
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from AC/AS, OCAR, Air Communications Division by MAR dated 10 September 1943, Subject: "Activation of 1 Kilowatt and 300 Watt Teams", as amended at the verbal request of Capt. Belcher, AGAS, OCAR, Communications Division, based on OPD directive, OPD 676.3 PTO (3-30-43) dated 18 May 43 for equipment and WDGCT 370.5 Sec (2 Aug 43), dated 16 Aug 43, for personnel. According to Comment #4, of MAR dated 9 Sept 43, subject: "Organization, Training and Equipment of Units For Overseas Service," from AC/AS, OCAR, Air Communications Division, to AC/AS, OCAR, Theatres Branch, a meeting was held 7 Sep 43 with Lt. Colonel Ramsey of General Staff, OPD, and it was decided that a Signal Service Company (AF) was not required. The theatre made the recommendation for this type of unit so as to take care of personnel teams for the operation of two (2) - 1 Kilowatt stations and seven (7) - 300 watt stations. It was decided that these teams would be attached to the Signal Company (AF). This action is based on JCS-238 Communication Plan, confirmed in cables No. C-2001, dated 27 April 43, and C-2488, dated 18 May 1943. Army Air Forces Troop Basis is being amended to include this unit, and this action will be accomplished within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. Shipment of this personnel and equipment should be designated by "FORSOOTH" as confirmed in cable No. A-1472, dated 10 Aug 1943. This action was informally concurred in by Lt. Col. Ramsey of OPD, WDGT.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Disbandment and Reorganization of Certain Airways Communications Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 16th Airways Communications Squadron be disbanded at the earliest practicable date with personnel and equipment thereof to be absorbed in the 8th and 16th Airways Communications Squadrons as directed by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing.

II. That, concurrently with the above action, the 8th and 16th Airways Communications Squadrons be reorganized in accordance with T/O & E 1-447, dated 6 August 1943 and Change #1, dated 1 September 1943, with authority to operate, in addition to squadron and regional headquarters, the stations shown below:

16th Airways Communications Squadron	Authorized Strength		
Communications	Off	WO	EM
Class B 27	76	1	699
Class D 13			
Class E 7			
Class T 4			
Class X 27			
Cryptographic			
Class I 1			
Class II 13			
Message Center 1			

8th Airways Communications Squadron			
Communications	Off	WO	EM
Class A 6	82	1	826
Class B 7			
Class C 1			
Class D 33			
Class E 6			
Class T 12			
Class X 35			
Cryptographic			
Class I 6			
Class II 5			
Message Centers 6			

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1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel required other than that to be absorbed from the disbanded squadron will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding General, North Atlantic Wing, ATC
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on R&R's from Air Communications Division dated 20 September 1943, subject "Disbandment of Fifteenth Airways Communication Squadron" and 21 September 1943, subject "Reorganization of the 8th Airways Communications Squadron", and supersedes Memorandum for The Adjutant General, dated 31 July 1943, subject "Reorganization of the 8th Airways Communications Squadron", which was returned to Army Air Forces by disposition form, OPD 320.2 (31 July 43) dated 2 August 1943, same subject, for justification of the requested increase in authorized strength. In this connection, there is attached to the original copy of this memorandum, for OPD's information, correspondence which contains approval of the Commanding General, North Atlantic Wing, ATC in 1st indorsement, dated 10 September 1943. Present authorized strengths of these units are shown below:

	Off	WO	EM
8th Airways Communications Squadron	45	3	563
15th Airways Communications Squadron	28	2	303
16th Airways Communications Squadron	47	1	636
Total	120	6	1512

Authorizations requested herein are:

8th Airways Communications Squadron	82	1	826
16th Airways Communications Squadron	75	1	699
Total	157	2	1525

The overall increase, which will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces, is thirty-seven (37) officers and thirteen (13) enlisted men, with a decrease of four (4) warrant officers. However, the actual increase in officers should be reduced by twenty-two (22), as stations presently authorized for the 16th Airways Communications Squadron require a total of sixty-nine (69) officers and a previous AG letter showed forty-seven (47) due to a mistake in calculating the required officer strength. Amendment of the letter involved has been with-held until this reorganization was in shape to submit to OPD. The new authorized strengths are based on stations actually being operated and are considered the minimum that will enable the Communications regions to perform the services required of them. Communications Squadrons necessarily operate on the basis of installing new stations when requested by higher authority and then securing authorization for authorized strength at a subsequent date. In order to simplify the paper work, a reorganization request is not made every time a single station is added, and the increased strengths requested cover additional stations that have been put in operation over a period of sixty (60) to one hundred twenty (120) days.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Disbandment and Reorganization of Certain Bombardment Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 2nd Provisional Bombardment Flight (Medium)(Air Echelon Only) be disbanded at the earliest practicable date with personnel and equipment thereof to be absorbed in the 1st Provisional Bombardment Flight (Medium) (Air Echelon Only).

II. That, concurrently with the above action, the 1st Provisional Bombardment Flight (Medium)(Air Echelon Only) be reorganized in accordance with the attached inclosure, with total authorized strength of twenty-two (22) officers and sixty-two (62) enlisted men. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

1. The date of disbandment and reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Greenland Base Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on AAF dated 23 Sept 1943 from Bombardment Branch and letter from Greenland Base Command dated 3 Sept 1943, subject "Reorganization of 1st and 2nd Provisional Bombardment Flights (Medium)", copy of which is attached for OPD's information. Present authorized strengths of these two units are as shown in letter from Greenland Base Command, and it will be noted that the new strength being authorized for the 1st Provisional Bombardment Flight is identical with that formerly authorized for the two units combined. The only change is in raising the authorized grade of one of the Captains to Major. Otherwise, grades are identical with those currently in effect. This action does not represent an increase in the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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Provisional Bombardment Squadron (M) (Air Echelon Only)

Major (Pilot)	1	
Captain (Pilot)	4	
1st Lieutenant (Pilot)	7	
(Navigator-Gunner)	2	
2nd Lieutenant (Co-Pilot)	8	
TOTAL		22
Second Grade		
Radio Observer Gunner	8	
Radio Observer V	8	
Radio Mechanic V	2	
Third Grade		
Bombardier	8	
Engineer-Gunner	8	
Armorer-Gunner	8	
Radio Mechanic	2	
Radio Mechanic F	2	
Radio Mechanic V	2	
Power Turret & Gunsight Specialist	2	
Fourth Grade		
Adm & Tech Clerk	2	
Radio Mechanic V	4	
Fifth Grade		
Adm & Tech Clerk	4	
TOTAL		62
AGGREGATE		84

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of the 72nd Airdrome Squadron (Sp)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 72nd Airdrome Squadron (Sp) be redesignated as the 72nd Airdrome Squadron without change of station or assignment or authorized strength.

1. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding General, Second Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Colorado Springs, Colo
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This redesignation is necessary because this unit is being committed for overseas service and its designation should not include the term 'Special'. This directive is classified ' Secret' because of Memorandum for Record; published letter should be ' Restricted'.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 552d, 553d, 563d, 564th, 570th and 571st Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions be reorganized by the Commanding General, Third Air Force at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment No. 11-400, 17 June 1943, as indicated on the attached Inclosure.

a. The 552d and 563d Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions, as reorganized, will each have an authorized strength of fifty-one (51) officers, six (6) warrant officers and nine hundred eighty-eight (988) enlisted men, including two (2) officers and twenty-eight (28) enlisted men, attached medical, and one (1) officer and one (1) enlisted man, attached Chaplain and Chaplain's assistant.

b. The 553d, 564th, 570th and 571st Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions, as reorganized, will each have an authorized strength of forty-four (44) officers, five (5) warrant officers and eight hundred seventy-six (876) enlisted men, including two (2) officers and twenty-six (26) enlisted men, attached medical, and one (1) officer and one (1) enlisted man, attached Chaplain and Chaplain's assistant.

2. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. This action will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

4. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form No. 127-A and/or No. 127-B.

5. Paragraph 2 of AAF Memorandum No. 35-1, 13 June 1942, subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates," will apply.

6. Each battalion will be equipped in accordance with T/O & E 11-400, 17 June 1943, and authorized Changes thereto, for operation assignment as indicated in Column 4 of the attached Inclosure.

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b. Each Reporting Platoon (Team C of T/O & E 11-400) is authorized all equipment as prescribed in T/O & E 11-400, 17 June 1943, for a Reporting Platoon (Team C) equipped with Radio Set SCR-270, including Radio Sets SCR-188-A. Radio Sets SCR-270, however, are not authorized as organizational equipment but will be issued for training purposes. Additional items of radio communications equipment and plotting equipment for use by Teams H, I, L and N will be prescribed by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces in a separate communication.

b. Each Reporting Platoon (Team C, T/O & E 11-400, 17 June 1943) will be of the fixed type, hence, note "q" of T/O & E 11-400, 17 June 1943 (formerly note "p" of T/O 11-400, 1 July 1942) will apply.

7. a. The 562d, 564th and 571st Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions will be fully equipped and prepared for functional duty on or about 1 January 1944.

b. The 562d, 563d and 570th Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions will be fully equipped and prepared for functional duty by 1 February 1944.

8. Twenty (20) copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

9. The Station Commanders charged with the reorganization of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

10. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #129, 1 June 1943.

11. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Corps of Engineers
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from ACAS, OCAR (Fighter and Air Defense Branch) by M&R, 22 Sep 45, subject: "Reorganization of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions," and results in reorganization of the final six (6) of the nine (9) Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions which constitute the Signal Aircraft Warning Service requirements for the Bradley Plan. Personnel requirements of these reorganizations will not exceed the current Aircraft Warning Service Troop Unit Basis in allotment of officers and enlisted men. These reorganizations will result in a decrease of forty-two (42) officers, sixty (60) warrant officers and one thousand two hundred fifty-five (1255) enlisted men in authorized strength for the six (6) battalions. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This paper is classified "SECRET" because of Memo for Record. Published letter should be classified "RESTRICTED".

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ORGANIZATION CHART

REORGANIZATION OF 5526d, 5634, 5636, 566th, 570th and 571st Signal AIRCRAFT WARNING BATTALIONS

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1 UNIT REORGANIZED	2 AUTHORIZED STRENGTH Off.	W.O.	E.M.	3 ORGANIZATION T/O 6E 11-500, 27 June 1943 Teams and Quantity	4 OPERATION ASSIGNMENT	5 REMARKS
	21	2	235	Bn Hq and Plotting Company 1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1	Administrative and Plotting	a/Total authorized strength includes 2 officers and 28 enlisted men, attached medical, and 1 officer, attached Chaplain, and 1 enlisted man, attached Chaplain's assistant
●	6	2	174	Reporting Company "A" 1-1-1-1-1-1	Administrative; GCI; and long range radar reporting	
	10	0	169	Reporting Company "B" 1-1-1-1-1	Administrative & light weight radar reporting	
5526d and 5634 Sig Air Bns (each)	6	2	133	Reporting Company "C" 1-1-1-1-1	Administrative; GCI; and long range radar reporting	
	4	0	141	Ground Observer Company "D" 1-1-1-1-1	Administrative; ground observations & light weight radar reporting	
●	4	0	136	Ground Observer Company "E" 1-1-1-1-1 (1)a	Administrative; ground observations & light weight radar reporting	
Total authorized strength 5526d and 5634 Sig Air Bns (each)	51	6	988			

a/ Two of the radar sets and the necessary personnel to man them (2 officers and 28 enlisted men) will be assigned to Ground Observer Company "E" from the 9 Team in Ground Observer Company "D".

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ORGANIZATION CHART – REORGANIZATION OF 552d, 553d, 563d, 564th, 570th & 571st Sig AW Bns.

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UNIT REORGANIZED	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH OFF.	W.O.	E.M.	T/O & E 11-500, 17 June 1943 Items and Quantity	OPERATION ASSIGNMENT	REMARKS
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●	8	3	218	Reporting Company "A" B C I J P S 1 3 12 1 2 3	Administrative; GCI; and long range radar reporting	
553d, 564th, 570th and 571st Sig AW Bns (each)	10	0	169	Reporting Company "B" B I J S U 1 2 6 2 2	Administrative and light weight radar reporting	# Substitution of one (1) Dental Corps officer in lieu of one (1) Medical Corps officer is authorized.
	4	0	141	Ground Observer Company "C" B H I J S U 1 2# 2 4 2 1b	Administrative; ground observations and light weight radar reporting	
	4	0	136	Ground Observer Company "D" B H I J S U 1 2# 2 3 2 (1)b	Administrative; ground observations and light weight radar reporting	
Total authorized strength 553d, 564th, 570th and 571st Sig AW Bns (each)cc	44	5	876			

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY SERVICE FORCES:
(Through Commanding General, Army Ground Forces)

Subject: Additional Engineer Maintenance Units for Troop Basis.

1. The Army Air Forces has taken action to include sixteen (16) Engineer Aviation Maintenance Companies in the current Troop Basis. Four (4) Engineer Aviation Battalions have been eliminated from current Troop Basis in order to provide for these companies.

2. In arriving at the estimate of forty-five (45) Engineer Aviation Maintenance Companies, it appears that the small self-contained shops of the Engineer Aviation Battalion and the currently considered reduction of total number of construction units in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis were not considered.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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27 September 1943

MEMORANDUM TO THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-3:

Subject: Troop Basis 1943 - 44

1. Information requested in paragraph 2 of the attached memorandum dated 23 September 1943, subject as above, has been furnished to G-3 Division in work sheet form.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF, PLANS
ASSISTANT CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF, OPERATIONS, COMMITMENTS, & REQUIREMENTS
ASSISTANT CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF, PERSONNEL

Subject: Rotation of AAF Ground Personnel Outside the Continental United States.

1. The President has recently requested that special study be given to the problem of rotating AAF ground personnel.

2. The following method of conducting this study is prescribed:

a. AC/AS Plans obtain from the War Department the basic overall policies establishing revised turnover rates between the several theatres and the continental United States.

b. AC/AS Plans then establish the basic rules (considering the factors outlined in Tab "A") under which replacements will be furnished to the several theatres within the scope of War Department policy.

c. AC/AS OC&R and AC/AS Personnel convert these basic rules into specific personnel requirements.

d. AC/AS OC&R in collaboration with AC/AS, Plans obtain the required increase in the AAF Troop Basis.

e. After increased Troop Basis has been obtained and personnel trained, AC/AS Personnel take necessary action to place rotation into effect.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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FACTORS THAT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING REPLACEMENT RATE FOR AAF PERSONNEL (OTHER THAN AIR CREW PERSONNEL)

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I. LOGISTICAL LIMITATIONS. (Priority A)

1. Transportation availability and turnaround rate.
2. Availability of replacement personnel.
   a. Original replacements.
   b. Percentage of men returned to United States that can be re-shipped.

II. MILITARY REQUIREMENTS. (Priority B)

1. Replace battle losses and losses from other causes.
2. Sickness rate due to disease.
3. Neuropsychiatric rate.

III. HUMAN FACTORS (Priority C)

1. Living conditions
   a. Climate
   b. Accomodations
   c. Food
   d. Recreational Facilities
      (1) Athletic
      (2) Educational
      (3) Entertainment
      (4) Contact w/opposite sex
   e. Isolation involved
      (1) Size of garrison
      (2) Nearness to population centers
      (3) Mail
      (4) Freq of outside contacts
   f. Envy factors involved?

2. Mission of the theater
   a. Relative importance
   b. Activity involved (enemy)
   c. Supply problems
   d. Adequacy of equipment
   e. Danger involved

NOTE.— An extended tour of duty under poor conditions could be accepted by most men if they could only be assured that they would, with reasonable certainty, be brought home by a given date, and were convinced of the military necessity involved.

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL VANDENBERG:

Subject: Rotation of AAF Ground Personnel between the U.S. and the Several Theaters of Operation.

References: (a) Routing and Record Sheet this office to C/AS, dated 25 January 1944, above subject.

(b) Memo Directive, DAS, dated 27 January 1944 with extract from Press Log Navy Public Relations (25 Jan 44) attached.

(c) Press release of statement made by Senator David I. Walsh re Navy Rotation Policy.

(d) Letter, The Chief of Naval Personnel, to the Commanders of all Naval Districts, Fleets and Forces, dated 4 June 1943, subject "Rotation of Duty of Enlisted Personnel".

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The Problem

1. In compliance with reference (b) to prepare a complete study for submission to General Vandenberg for consideration of the whereabouts of the shipping that is to bring Navy personnel back for 30 days leave after 18 months at sea or STATESIDE; * whereas AAF Ground personnel is to be limited to 1% per month.

* Army personnel (AAF Combat Crews excluded)in the SWPA, SPA and CBI, to be selected by the Theater Commander concerned, will be returned to the U.S. to the extent of 1% per month of the troops deployed in those respective theaters.

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Facts Bearing on the Problem

2. JCS 595/2 which was approved by the Joint Chiefs of Staff on 28 December 1943 contains the proposal that based on the 1% per month rotation policy approved for the SWPA, SPA, and CBI in JCS 595/1, twenty-six C type cargo ships be converted to troop transports; twenty-four of these ships to provide troop lift for the rotation of 109,100 Army personnel during the period 1 March to 31 December 1944 and the remaining two ships to provide troop lift for the rotation of 25,000 Navy personnel during the same period. JCS 595/3, a report by the JMTC dated 22 January 1944 contains a recommendation that thirteen C-3 type cargo ships be converted to troop transports in lieu of the twenty-six C-1 and C-2 types proposed by JCS 595/2. On this basis it is assumed that twelve of these ships will be allocated to Army troop lift and one will be allocated to Navy troop lift.

3. Other than the shipping cited in paragraph 2 above, which it will be noted has been provided for on the basis of a 1% per month rotation policy for both Army and Navy personnel in the SWPA, SPA and CBI, no shipping has been set aside for the rotation of personnel of either service. While it is manifest that the Navy, in bringing ships back to the U.S. for refitting as is necessary from time to time, has additional opportunities for the return of personnel, particularly ship based personnel, the main difficulty, insofar as shipping is concerned, seems to lie in providing adequate troop lift for personnel enroute to the theaters since considerable space even on Army transports is available on the return trip.

4. Insofar as the rotation of Army Personnel in general and AAF Ground personnel in particular is concerned, insufficient replacement personnel rather than shipping is the primary limiting factor. For example, to implement the 1% per month rotation policy for the SWPA, SPA and CBI it will be necessary to strip 6 Divisions which are earmarked for combat duty and the 1944 Army Troop Basis must be increased by 72,000 men which is the maximum possible increase for this purpose.

5. In any comparison of the relative capacities of the Army and Navy for rotating personnel between the several theaters and the United States, attention must be given to the relative size of the two services, the degree of expansion in each which has been necessary, and the periods over which the expansion has been spread. In establishing the size of the Army at 7,500,000 men, of which 2,200,00 are AAF personnel, no personnel were included to provide for rotation. The strength of the Navy roughly approximates that of the Army Air Forces and it is doubtful if the Navy program includes personnel to provide for rotation. However,

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the Army Expansion Program including that of the Army Air Forces has been practically completed while the Navy Expansion Program will not be completed until sometime in 1948. Due to the length of time required to construct ships and other Naval facilities, it has been necessary to spread the Navy Expansion Program over a much longer period. Therefore, it is clear that the Navy has much more leeway in utilizing available personnel for purposes of rotation than has the Army. In other words as was done by the Army, particularly the Army Air Forces, until maximum expansion was reached thereby putting a stop to such practice, the Navy is still in a position to "trade on the future" i.e., utilize personnel now which are earmarked for units to be activated in the future. Therefore, as in the case of the Army, if the war lasts long enough, the time will come when all Navy units will have been activated, leaving no "slush fund" of personnel to call upon for rotation purposes.

6. Informal conferences with representatives of the Bureau of Naval Personnel indicate that the Navy is not at all confident of being able to rotate their personnel as 18 month tours of duty overseas are completed. The Navy is quick to point out that their rotation policy does not afford a "right" but only an "entitlement" which is dependent upon the exigencies of the service, the personnel situation, available transportation and the prosecution of the war. In this connection, it will be noted from references (b) (c) and (d) that the Navy policy which was published on 4 June 1943, was not publicized until 25 January 1944.

7. Except for the opportunity of giving ship-based personnel leaves in the U.S. which the Navy can obviously do because of the necessity of refitting ships from time to time, it is doubtful if the Navy is in a much better position than is the Army with respect to rotation. Replacement personnel available is the limiting factor for both services.

8. The method of selecting Army personnel for return to the United States under the Rotation Policy is a prerogative of the Theater Commander. General MacArthur has set twenty-four months as the minimum tour of duty to qualify for rotation and the other Theater Commanders concerned are expected to select tours of from eighteen to twenty-four months depending on local conditions.

Conclusions

9. It is concluded that:

a. While the rotation of AAF Ground personnel between the several theaters and the U.S. is limited to a certain extent by the shipping available, the prime limitation is the fact that sufficient personnel are not available to replace those individuals whom it is desired to be returned.

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b. Since the replacement personnel available will not permit the implementation of a rotation policy in excess of one percent per month for Army personnel in the SWPA, SPA and CBI, an increase in Army Troop lift at this time to provide for the rotation of a greater number of personnel is not indicated.

Recommendations

10. It is recommended that the action proposed in Reference (a) be taken i.e., that the directive issued by the C/AS on 8 November 1943 be rescinded.

JOE L. LOUTZENHEISER,
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief, Operational Plans Division

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TO: Chief of the Air Staff

DATE 18 Oct 1943

FROM: AC/AS, Personnel, Military Personnel Division

COMMENT No. 2
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This matter has been considered by the Personnel Board and the proceedings thereof and recommendations of The Board are transmitted herewith.

Incls:
1. AAF Reg. 20-25
2. Memo. to Sec of War fr Gen Arnold (trip)
3. Memo. to Sec of War and Navy fr Pres Roosevelt dtd 9/20/43 (trip)
4. Cpy RAR w/4 comments re Rotation of Personnel (trip)
5. Proc. & Rec. of Board
6. Cpy Memo. For Chief of Air Staff

J. M. BEVANS
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Rotation of Personnel Outside Continental U. S.

AC/AS, Personnel 28 Sep 43

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1. Note the attached copies of memorandums and routing sheets circulated reference this matter.

2. The Chief of the Air Staff feels that the establishment of an adequate rotation policy may well come within the purview of the AAF Personnel Board.

3. Accordingly, it is directed that this matter be considered by the AAF Personnel Board, and the President thereof be informed that a meeting should be called without further delay to fully consider this matter.

4. The recommendations of the board will be transmitted to the Chief of the Air Staff for indication of approval or disapproval thereof by the Commanding General.

Incls:
1. AAF Reg. 20-25
2. Memo to Sec of War fr Gen Arnold (trip)
3. Memo to Sec of War and Navy frm (trip) Pres Roosevelt dtd 9/20/43
4. Copy of R&R w/A comments re Rotation of Personnel (trip)

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Colonel, G. S. C.
Secretary, Air Staff

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27 SEP 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of the 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Co.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company be redesignated as the 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company Aviation and reorganized by the Commanding Officer thereof (for that part of the unit in the United States only) effective at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment 11-297, 7 July 1943 on the basis of one Headquarters Platoon and six operating platoons, with three of these platoons to be formed from detachments of the 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company now overseas.

1. The authorized strength of this unit will remain ten (10) officers and two hundred sixty four (264) enlisted men.

II. That the Commanding Generals of the North African Theater of Operations, European Theater of Operations (Iceland Base Command) and Caribbean Defense Command (Antilles Department) be instructed by separate directives to each to reorganize the detachments of the 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company Aviation now under their control into platoons in accordance with Columns 8, 9, and 10 of Table of Organization and Equipment 11-297, of 7 July 1943 without change of station.

1. Equipment for the unit including the detached platoons will be in accordance with T/O and E 11-297, 7 Jul 43.

2. Shortages of equipment will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. Filler personnel necessary to reorganize overseas detachments will be requisitioned in the usual manner and will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces from personnel now available to the 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company Aviation. Replacements for the domestic portion will be obtained by submission of AAF Form 127-A.

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4. The Commanding Generals of overseas theaters and Commanding Officer of the 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company Aviation will immediately notify the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General when reorganization has been completed.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Iceland Base Command
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Antilles Department
Commanding General, Antilles Air Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chiefs of Technical Services
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

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H. H. [illegible]
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrence:
(OPD-WDGS( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested by Communications Control Branch, Technical Service Division of OC& R in R& R of 16 Aug 43. This action is desired in order to provide platoons to monitor Army Air Ways frequencies for security purposes. Reorganization of overseas detachments is being requested in order to provide a suitable basis for requisitioning personnel and equipment. The overseas detachments are under the supervision of local theater commanders for assignment on special missions. No additional personnel authorization is involved in this action although movement of filler personnel overseas will be necessary. The current strength of the detachments of the 136th Signal RI Co Avn are as follows:

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Reykjavik, Iceland	1 officer, 20 enlisted men
Tunis, Algiers	1 officer, 24 enlisted men
Trinidad, British West Indies,	2 officers, 16 enlisted men

The Augmentation of the detachments and reorganization as platoons has been approved by Theater Commanders in the following messages:

Iceland	IR-803	24 Aug 43
	CM-IN-18412	(25 Aug 43)
Trinidad	822	25 Aug 43
	CM-IN-19429	(26 Aug 43)
Algiers	W/36/4825	15 Sep 43
	CM-IN-11533	(15 Sep 43)

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27 SEP 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Gunnery and Tow Target Flights (Sp).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 1st and 2nd Gunnery and Tow Target Flights (Sp) be reorganized by the Commanding General, European Theater of Operations at the earliest practicable date in accordance with 2/D 1-16772, dated 18 August 1943.

1. This action does not involve any change in authorized strength. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be made accordingly.

2. Equipment for the reorganized units will be in accordance with Table of Allowances 1-16772 and will be supplied from sources available to the theater commander with any shortages to be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Gunnery and Tow Target Flights (Sp).

By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCES:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on disposition form OPD 320.2 MTO (9 July 43), subject "Constitution and Activation of Certain Gunnery and Tow Target Flights (Sp)", dated 4 August 1943. These units were organized temporarily in accordance with T/O 1-7373, dated 28 May 1943 pending publication of a suitable table of distribution. The authorized strength remains the five officers and thirty-four enlisted men and no increase in the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces is involved by the action.

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COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES
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HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
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23 September 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: **Deputy Chief of Air Staff**
Brigadier General Hoyt Vandenberg

Subject: Revisions of Troop Basis

1. In accordance with the attached directive from the Acting Chief of Staff, dated 21 August 1943, subject: Troop Basis, this Headquarters has prepared a detailed Troop Unit Basis showing the status of the Army Air Forces as of 31 July 1943 and reflecting the anticipated status as of 31 December 1943.

2. Attention is invited to paragraph 3 of the attached directive providing that when subject Troop Unit Basis is approved by the War Department, changes will be made only with the approval of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

3. The Office of the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements is designated as the exclusive agency of this Headquarters for revision, with the approval of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, of the Army Air Forces Troop Unit Basis, and other agencies of this Headquarters will take no action and will make no commitments involving changes in such Troop Unit Basis until the prerequisite approval of the War Department has been secured through the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Barney M. Giles

BARNEY M. GILES
Major General, U. S. Army
Chief of Air Staff

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23 September 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: **Deputy Chief of Air Staff**
Brigadier General Hoyt Vandenberg

Subject: Revisions of Troop Basis

1. In accordance with the attached directive from the Acting Chief of Staff, dated 21 August 1943, subject: Troop Basis, this Headquarters has prepared a detailed Troop Unit Basis showing the status of the Army Air Forces as of 31 July 1943 and reflecting the anticipated status as of 31 December 1943.

2. Attention is invited to paragraph 3 of the attached directive providing that when subject Troop Unit Basis is approved by the War Department, changes will be made only with the approval of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

3. The Office of the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements is designated as the exclusive agency of this Headquarters for revision, with the approval of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, of the Army Air Forces Troop Unit Basis, and other agencies of this Headquarters will take no action and will make no commitments involving changes in such Troop Unit Basis until the prerequisite approval of the War Department has been secured through the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments, and Requirements.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Barney M. Giles

BARNEY M. GILES
Major General, U. S. Army
Chief of Air Staff

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21 August 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Troop Basis.

1. To assist the War Department in the preparation of plans and the allocation of personnel, it is desired that a detailed Troop Unit Basis be prepared to show the status of the Army Air Forces as of 31 July 1943 and to reflect the anticipated status as of 31 December 1943 based upon the present allotment of 2,150,000 enlisted men.

2. The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 will issue detailed instructions to include the form of this Troop Basis and the method of preparation and revision.

3. Following the approval of this Troop Basis by the War Department no changes will be made therein without the approval of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3. Proposed changes in the allotment of personnel to the Army Air Forces will be submitted to the Deputy Chief of Staff for decision.

/s/ JOSEPH T. MCNARNEY,
JOSEPH T. MCNARNEY,
Lieutenant General, U.S. Army,
Acting Chief of Staff.

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Subject:
Utilization & Training of Service Squadrons at Militarized Sub-Depots.

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HD Hq, Army Air Forces, Washington, 25, D.C. 8 November 1943

To: Commanding General, Air Service Command, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio

1. Attention is invited to Paragraph 1 of the second indorsement. It cannot be too strongly stated that a shortage of personnel, requiring the utmost economy in its use, exists now in the Army Air Forces.

2. Reference Paragraph 4 of the Third indorsement; although the letter referred to in this paragraph excludes units operating military depots from consideration in the bulk allotment, nothing therein should be construed to prevent further personnel economy which might be attained by assigning such personnel to a base for the purpose of operating the sub depot. The reason for excluding Service Squadrons, etc from the bulk allotment was to enable the Army Air Forces to have trained units in reserve to meet urgent requirements if the need should arise.

3. At present it is impossible to activate additional Service Squadrons and in lieu thereof it is recommended that every effort be expended toward effecting greater economy in personnel and that a study be made with a view to providing personnel for the operation of the sub depots requiring the

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additional Service Squadrons from within the total of the present bulk allotment or from a redistribution of personnel now assigned to Service Squadrons at militarized sub depots by substituting manning tables for T/O's.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed

H. A. CRAIG,
Brig. General, U.S. Army,
Acting Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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Operation of Militarised Sub-Depots.

Chief of Air Staff.

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1. Recommend that the 4th Indorsement of attached correspondence be signed and the correspondence be sent to the Commanding General, Air Service Command over the non-concurrence of AC/AS, MMSD.

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MERVIN E. GROSS
Brig. General, U.S.A.

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WD Hq Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C.

TO: Commanding General, Second Air Force, Colorado Springs, Colorado

1. Inasmuch as an AG letter, subject: "Air Defense and Responsibility for Training in the First and Fourth Air Forces," dated September 10, 1943, places the responsibility of the defense of the Eastern and Western areas on the First and Fourth Air Forces respectively, you are hereby relieved of all responsibilities in connection with performing the command and staff work necessary for the operation of a task force of Heavy and Medium units reinforcing any area.

2. The First and Fourth Air Forces will use Heavy units within their Command in carrying out the responsibilities of defending their respective areas, and in the event a threat of attack appears imminent in either area, you will be prepared to reinforce the attacked area with units in your Command. Further, it is desired that you make available to the First and Fourth Air Forces all Standard Operating Procedures applicable to Medium units as furnished by the Third Air Force.

By command of General ARNOLD:

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Barney M. Giles,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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Army Air Forces
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24 SEP 1945

SUBJECT: Utilization of Medium Units in Support of the Fourth Air Force

TO: Commanding General
Fourth Air Force
San Francisco, California

1. The A.G. letter, subject: "Air Defense and Responsibility for Training in the First and Fourth Air Forces," dated 10 September 1945, places the responsibility of the defense of the Western area within your command.

2. This Headquarters has relieved the Second Air Force of all responsibilities in connection with the performance of the command and staff work necessary for the operation of a task force of heavy and medium units for the reinforcement of your area in the event of an attack.

3. The Second Air Force has been directed to be prepared to reinforce the Western area in the event of an actual attack, and/or at such time as you deem reinforcements imminently necessary. Further, the Second Air Force has been directed to make available to you all standard operating procedures applicable to medium units as furnished by the Third Air Force.

4. All plans for the defense of the Western area will incorporate the use of both heavy and medium units. Direct communication with the Second and Third Air Forces for any necessary planning by your headquarters is authorized.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed
Barney M. Giles,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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TO: AC/AS, DC&R Attn: Programs Branch

DATE 16 Nov 43

FROM: Deputy Chief of Air Staff

COMMENT NO. 6
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1. Believe M&D have something in their comment #4.

2. Too late, however, to reply to directive. Let's file it.

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EDWIN S. PERRIN,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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Chief, Programs Branch, (AC/AS, OC&R). 4 October 1943

Air Adjutant General.

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Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

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Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training — IN TURN — 22 Sep 43
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Air Inspector
FROM: Air Adjutant General

WDG:JB 5791

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H. H. HEWITT,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment of the 21st Bombardment Group (M)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be disbanded by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, effective 10 October 1943, with personnel and equipment thereof to be absorbed in other units of the Third Air Force:

Hq, 21st Bomb Gp (M)
313th Bomb Sq (M)
314th Bomb Sq (M)
315th Bomb Sq (M)
398th Bomb Sq (M)

1. Twenty copies of the disbandment order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with RAR dated 11 September 1943 from AC/AS, Training, subject: "Medium Bombardment Program." At present the 21st Bomb Group is committed for overseas shipment but the 397th Bomb Group (M) is being substituted for it and disbandment of the 21st is necessary in accordance with the recent changes in the program for tactical units. This action results in a decrease of 292 officers, 1 warrant officer and 1307 enlisted men in the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This memorandum classified "Secret" because of memorandum for record; published directive should be "Restricted".

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HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

16 September 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF:
(Attention Captain Burgh)

Subject: Organization Chart for Second Air Force

Attached is copy of the organization chart of the Second Air Force. This is the chart referred to in previous memorandum written today transmitting organization charts of the First, Third and Fourth Air Forces and the Troop Carrier Command.

CHARLES B. THORNTON
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Statistical Control Division
Management Control

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Organization Chart for Second Air Force

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (Brig. Gen. Vandenberg) 16 Sept 1943

Management Control, Statistical Control Division 1

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CHARLES B. THORNTON
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Statistical Control Division

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Chart of 2nd AF

TO: Statistical Control.

DATE 17 Sept. 43

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff.

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MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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Organization Charts for Separate Air Forces and Troop Carrier Command

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff
(Brig. Gen. Vandenberg)
Management Control, Statistical Control Division

16 Sept 1943

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1. There are attached copies of organization charts for the First, Third, and Fourth Air Forces and the Troop Carrier Command, which have been prepared in accordance with your request of yesterday. Data included on these charts represent status of 10 Sept 1943.

2. A similar chart for the Second Air Force required revision and will be available later today for your use. Organization charts for other commands within the continental United States are also being prepared and will be furnished to your office immediately upon completion.

CHARLES B. THORNTON
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Statistical Control Division

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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF:
(Attention Captain Burgh)

Subject: Organization Charts for Separate Air Forces and Troop Carrier Command

1. There are attached organization charts for the First, Third, and Fourth Air Forces and the Troop Carrier Command, which have been prepared for your office in accordance with a verbal request of 11 September 1943. Data included on the charts represent status as of 10 September 1943.

2. The organization chart for the Second Air Force required revision which will delay its transmission to your office until later this date. Similar charts for the other commands within the continental United States are in the process of preparation and will be furnished to your office immediately upon completion.

CHARLES B. THORNTON
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Statistical Control Division

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9 November 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL GILES:

Subject: Conservation of Manpower.

1. Reference is made to letter file AAF 334.7, subject as above, dated 14 August 1943, to the Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, and to 1st Indorsement thereto dated 20 October 1943, addressed to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

2. A photostatic copy of the complete revised plan for implementation of build-up of Army Air Forces in the United Kingdom is attached. The original Bradley Plan was examined in detail by the Baylor Committee with representatives of the Eighth Air Force and has been further informally discussed in detail with all interested agencies of the War Department General Staff. As a result of detailed scrutinies of all requirements, the troop basis for the air forces in the United Kingdom has been reduced from approximately 500,000 to 410,000, which is believed to be the minimum possible for efficient operation of the two air forces. Necessary adjustments have been made in the plan to accommodate the diversion of fifteen (15) heavy groups from the United Kingdom to the Fifteenth Air Force as directed by the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

3. Necessary action is being taken to constitute and to authorize the activation in the theater, in monthly increments, of the units in the attached plan for which fillers are to be shipped. This gives the Commanding General, Army Air Forces in the United Kingdom the requested authority to proceed with orderly reorganizations.

Incls:
#1 - Ltr to CG, 8th AF dtd 14 Aug 43, above subj, w/1st Ind.
#2 - Air Forces Troop Basis, ETO (Less IBC).

MERVIN E. GROSS,
Brig. Gen., U. S. A.,
Deputy Assistant Chief of Air Staff,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
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AAF 334.7 (AFDAS)

14 August 1943

SUBJECT: Conservation of Manpower

TO: Commanding General,
Eighth Air Force,
c/o Postmaster,
New York, N. Y.

1. The reservoir of manpower to meet our nation's agricultrual, industrial, and military needs is depleted necessitating each of us giving serious thought to personnel planning and requirements. Every economy must be exercised if we are to have the food, materials of war, and military personnel necessary to attain quick and total victory.

2. Stringent programs have been launched within this country for the conservation of military personnel. Results to date are gratifying, but are not enough. Further retrenchment is necessary.

3. Production of essential military supplies has fallen below esimated requirements and since our strategical plans are based upon such estimates, this failure cannot continue.

4. A survey for the purpose of determining the efficiency with which we are using personnel was conducted recently in one of our theaters. Almost without exception, the men who filled out the questionnaires stated that they did not have enough to do. This is evidence that there is considerable room for personnel economy in our units.

5. It is requested that you take immediate steps to survey your command and eliminate every function which is not vital to the successful accomplishment of your mission, and to assure yourself that every man in your command is effectively and efficiently employed in the performance of essential duties. This survey should make available personnel for return to this country or for assignment to units scheduled for your theater. It is requested that a report be submitted to this headquarters at the earliest possible date indicating the economies thus effected.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH AIR FORCE, APO 633, U. S. Army. 20 October, 1943.

To: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C.

1. As a result of the directive to survey the manpower requirements and effect any saving possible, a comprehensive organizational study of the Eighth Air Force has resulted in a saving of approximately 36,000 people. The effect of this reduction of personnel will not become immediately apparent because of the necessity of holding a reservoir of manpower to serve as cadres for new units to be activated in the Theater.

2. Every type of unit was scrutinized to determine whether it was performing an essential function and in the most efficient and economical manner. The reorganizations as proposed in the Bradley Plan five months ago still represent a method of effecting an appreciable economy in personnel and at the same time streamlining our stations along functional lines. Implementation of this plan has been delayed by lack of necessary authority from higher Headquarters to effect the reorganizations. If personnel requirements are to be reduced to the minimum, the authority to proceed with the necessary reorganizations must be immediately forthcoming in order that an orderly changeover can be accomplished. We are still awaiting the first orders to organize Sub-depots and the other major changes recommended in the Bradley Plan.

3. Our organizational requirements are constantly in review and are revised monthly in order to keep abreast of the changing tactical situation. Whenever a reduction in personnel is possible, whether large or small, it will be immediately effected. A detailed study of the recent reduction in the overall troop basis for the USAAF in the United Kingdom has been returned to your Headquarters by Colonel J. W. Baylor of AC/AS, OC and R. This compilation represents our efforts to date and reflects a substantial saving; this in spite of the eleven additional heavy bombardment groups that were not included in the original study. We will continue to carry out every possible reduction and, after a trial period of operations under the organization proposed in the Bradley Plan, we will again report the results obtained, together with our proposals for further streamlining.

IRA C. EAKER,
Lieutenant General, U.S.Army,
Commanding.

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14 SEP 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Reorganization and Disbandment of Certain Antisubmarine Units

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That effective upon arrival at new stations the following units be redesignated as indicated and, as soon thereafter as practicable, reorganized and equipped by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, in accordance with Tables of Organization and Equipment shown below:

Present Designation	New Designation	To be Reorganized and Equipped under
3rd Antisubmarine Sq (H)	819th Bombardment Sq (H)	T/O&E 1-117, 26 March 1943 and changes, 25 June 1943 and 13 July 1943
16th Antisubmarine Sq (H)	820th Bombardment Sq (H)	T/O&E 1-127, 26 March 1943 and Change 1, 10 July 1943

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1. Concurrently with reorganization, Flight A of the 17th Antisubmarine Squadron will be disbanded with personnel and equipment thereof to be absorbed in the 820th Bombardment Squadron (H).

2. Filler personnel will be supplied by the Fourth Air Force. Personnel replacement will be accomplished in the usual manner by submission of AAF forms 127-A and/or 127-B.

3. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

4. The Station Commanders charged with action under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General.

5. Twenty copies of the orders issued by the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air

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Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Dispatched 14 Sept 1943 AMG

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R dated 4 September 1943 from Requirements Division, Bombardment Branch, subject: "Reorganization and Redesignation of Two Antisubmarine Squadrons," and has been approved by OPD in disposition form OPD 370.5 HAW (20 August 43) dated 7 September 1943, subject: "Overseas Movement of Air Echelon (One Bombardment Group (H), and one Bombardment Group (H))." Movement orders are now being processed to move the 3rd Antisubmarine Squadron to March Field, California, and the 16th Antisubmarine Squadron plus Flight A of the 17th, to Hammer Field, California. Both squadrons are to be shipped to overseas stations at an early date. Reorganization of the 3rd Antisubmarine Squadron results in an increase of one officer and a decrease of one enlisted man. Reorganization of the 16th Antisubmarine Squadron results in an increase of one officer and a decrease of 22 enlisted men, but it will still be enabled to absorb Flight A of the 17th within the new authorization because of the reduced number of crews allotted to such units up to the time they depart for overseas service. Action in respect to disbandment of Flight A has been concurred in by Training (Colonel Ashworth) and Requirements Division, Bombardment Branch (Lt. Colonel Coffield). This memorandum classified "Secret" because of memorandum for record; published directive should be "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Arctic Search and Rescue Squadrons

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Army Air Forces Training Command for organization and such training as is prescribed by the Commanding Officer, Flight Control Command; these units will be activated by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Training Command at Buckley Field, Colorado on 15 September 1943 in accordance with T/O 1-618, dated 26 May 1943, less all Flight Officers (Line 8):

Unit	Flights	Total Authorized Strength Off.	EM.
2nd Arctic Search and Rescue Squadron	A, B, C and D	40	134
3rd Arctic Search and Rescue Squadron	A, B and C	32	103

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1. Personnel required for the activation of these units will be furnished without requisition by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Training Command. These units will be filled to authorized strength shown above not later than 1 Oct 1943.

2. Equipment will be in accordance with T/E 1-618 now being processed. Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be A-2.

3. These units will be prepared for functional duty by 15 December 1943 and earlier if practicable.

4. Direct correspondence between the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Training Command and the Commanding Officer, Flight Control Command is authorized in connection with the training of these units.

5. The Station Commander charged with the activation of these units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the date of activation.

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6. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Training Command, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular 139, dated 1 June 1943.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Training Command
Commanding Officer, Flight Control Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Dispatched
14 Sept 1943
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with MAR Comment #6, dated 27 August 1943 from OCAR, Requirements Division, Emergency Rescue Branch, subject "Activation of 2nd Arctic Search and Rescue Squadron". The destination of the 2nd Arctic Search and Rescue Squadron is the Alaskan Wing, ATC and the 3rd will be utilized in the North Atlantic Wing, ATC. It is desired that the units be ready for movement to destinations not later than 15 December 1943 but the need for them now exists and earlier movement will be ordered if the required training can be accomplished prior to that time. AGAS, Personnel (Capt. Hockenberry) has concurred in the statement relative to furnishing personnel. The Flight Officers shown on Line 8 of the T/O are being deleted in accordance with request of Emergency Rescue Branch (Major Hensley). Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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SUBJECT: Manning Tables for Aircraft Assembly Squadrons.

TO: Air Adjutant General

DATE 6 Sept 43

FROM: AC/AS, OC&R, Theater Branch

COMMENT NO. 1
SAM:ej 73085

1. The Commanding General of the Fifth Air Force requested in radio A1642 dated 2 Sept 43, a T/O for an Aircraft Erection Squadron.

2. This headquarters replied in radio 7563 dated 2 Sept 43 that a Personnel Allotment Table for an Aircraft Assembly Squadron would be air-mailed.

Done 3:00 PM 7 Sept 43

3. It is requested that the attached P/A/T and AG letter 320.2 (12-26-42) OB-I-AF-M, dated 28 December 1942, subject: Constitution and Activation of 2nd Aircraft Assembly Squadron, with inclosed Manning Table be forwarded by air-mail to CINC SWPA, Brisbane, Australia.

Sent thru Foreign Mail Room.

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O. P. MEYLAND,
Colonel, Air Corps.

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Air Adjutant General

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O. P. WEYLAND,
Colonel, Air Corps.

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Comments by C.G.A.A.F. after General Tompkins' report on Demobilization Planning at General Council Meeting, 11:30 AM, Monday, 6 September 1943

Appreciating the importance of the demobilization planning by General Tompkins' Division, the Air Staff planners through Colonel Trubee Davison have presented one detailed paper on the composition of the Air Forces after the defeat of Germany and for deployment against Japan. The necessity for flexibility in this type long range operational planning is illustrated by the recent action in Quebec (CCS 323), which is an initial effort to greatly increase the number of heavy bombers which may be employed against the Japanese [redacted] after the defeat of Germany. That particular project is now before the Combined Staff Planners and their final action may naturally greatly affect the data now in General Tompkins possession. The Air Staff will be glad to continue its very pleasant relationships with General Tompkins Division.

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REMARKS:

The attached statement will be made by General Tompkins at the General Council meeting on Monday. 11 30

It would be helpful if you could follow up with a few words of appreciation of the importance of the whole project as your staff has been most cooperative.

T. J. D.

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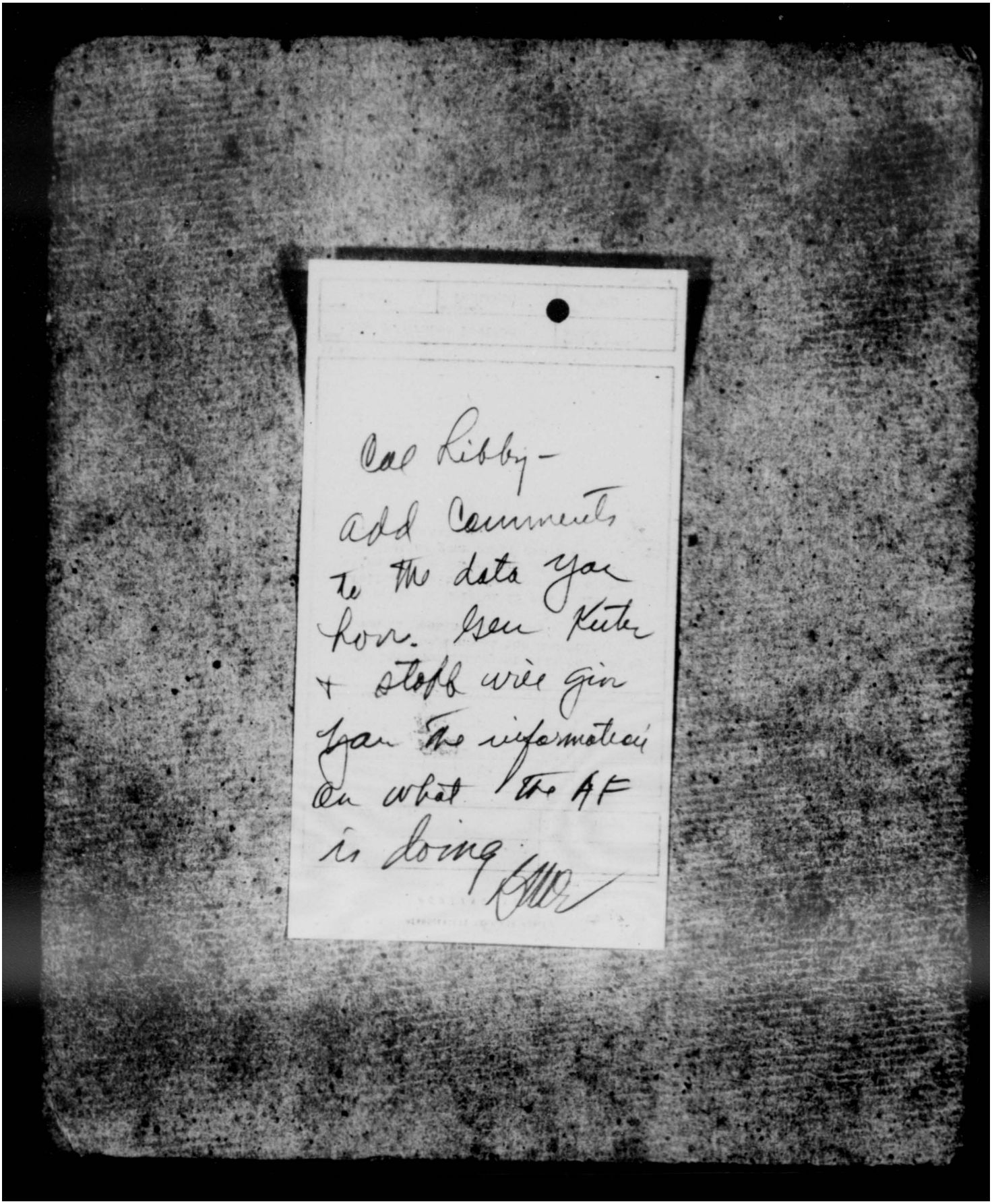

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 425d Night Fighter Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 322 (18 Aug 43) OR-I-AFRPG-M, dated 17 August 1943, subject as above be amended as follows:

Paragraph 1 - Change the date of activation from "1 Sept 1943" to "1 Oct 1943".

Paragraph 7 - Change the dates strengths will be reached as shown below:

"Date to Reach 25% Strength	Date to Reach 50% Strength	Date to Reach 100% Strength
1 November 1943 (See Incl)	1 December 1943 (See Incl)	25 December 1943"

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from ACAS, Training by RAR #1, subject "Availability of Units on Six Months' List", dated 30 August 1943, and is necessary due to the movement of the Night Fighter Program from AAFSAT to the Fourth Air Force. This paper should be published with a RESTRICTED classification.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reassignment of the AAF Cold Weather Test Detachment.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the AAF Cold Weather Test Detachment be relieved from its present assignment and reassigned to the Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command.

1. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Commanding Officer, AAF Cold Weather Test Detachment
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Proving Ground Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is based on R&R dated 2 Sept 1943 from ACAS, OCAR, subject "Cold Weather Test Detachment, Jurisdiction Thereof — Future Location", concurred in by Management Control in Comment #2, dated 4 Sept 1943. It is anticipated that action will be taken by the Operations Division of OCAR to move this Det from Ladd Field to Appellation AAB, Churchill, Canada.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Augmentation of AAF Cold Weather Testing Detachment.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That pending publication of appropriate table of distribution, the AAF Cold Weather Testing Detachment be authorized augmentation of fourteen (14) officers and one hundred one (101) enlisted men.

1. Requisitions for filler personnel will be submitted in the usual manner and will indicate specification serial numbers.

2. This action will be accomplished within the overall ceiling for AAF units in Alaska under the command of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

II. That the Commanding Officer, Army Air Forces Cold Weather Testing Detachment be notified of this action by secret radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Commanding Officer, AAF Cold Weather Testing Detachment
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Baltimore Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 cys)
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Augmentation of AAF Cold Weather Testing Detachment.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with letter dated 22 July 1943 from Headquarters, Army Air Forces Cold Weather Testing Detachment, subject "Personnel Requirements of Cold Weather Testing Detachment for Winter of 1943-44". Approval of this augmentation was contained in disposition form OPD 320.2 ADC (11 Aug 43) dated 21 August 1943, subject "Augmentation of the Cold Weather Testing Detachment, Ladd Field, Alaska". A table of distribution which provides for this augmentation is being processed and will be authorized for this Detachment when published. However, due to the fact that the winter season is imminent in Alaska, it is desirable to authorize this augmentation in advance so the necessary personnel can be ordered to Ladd Field. Reference is made to letter AG 221 (10-11-42) PE-A-AFPMP, dated 15 October 1942, subject "Allotments of Grades and Authorized Strengths, Army Air Forces, and Other Arms and Services with the Army Air Forces", which authorized a total of three hundred eight (308) enlisted grades for this Detachment. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Paragraph 1 of letter AG 322 (21 Aug 43) OB-I-AFRPG-M, subject as above, dated 23 August 1943 be amended by deleting all reference to the 106th Reconnaissance Squadron (Bomber).

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Same as original letter

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with a request from the AGAS, Training by BAR, subject "Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units" dated 28 August 1943, and is necessary since this squadron should have remained assigned to the I Air Support Command to allow the continued supervision of that headquarters over the final phase of training of this squadron prior to deployment to a theater. This paper should be published with a RESTRICTED classification.

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AAF Deployment after the Defeat of Germany and During the Post War Period

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TO: Special Projects Office

DATE 9-2-43

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

COMMENT NO. 5
WEH:JT 5246

The attached is approved insofar as it relates to "Estimated AAF Combat Groups Required for the Defeat of Japan and Garrisoning of Europe" and is forwarded to you for necessary action.

Incl.
n/c

WILLIAM H. HALL,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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31 AUG 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Signal Aircraft Warning Companies.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 704th, 705th and 706th Signal Aircraft Warning Companies be reorganized, at the earliest practicable date, in accordance with Section I of Table of Organization and Equipment No. 11-600, 19 June 1943, with the following teams:

Teams	H	S	R	P	I	J	P	S
Quantity	1	2	1	2	4	1	2	2

plus an attached Army Air Forces Fighter Control Detachment of three (3) officers and seventeen (17) enlisted men with specialist designations and specification serial numbers as indicated on attached Inclosure No. 1, each.

1. Authorized strength of each reorganized unit will be nine (9) officers, two (2) warrant officers and one hundred seventy-nine (179) enlisted men, including four (4) enlisted men, attached medical, plus an attached Army Air Forces Fighter Control Detachment of three (3) officers and seventeen (17) enlisted men, making a total authorized strength of twelve (12) officers, two (2) warrant officers and one hundred ninety-six (196) enlisted men for each unit.

2. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

3. Personnel and equipment assigned to the 569th and 571st Signal Aircraft Warning Battalions and the 720th and 721st Signal Aircraft Warning Companies, and other sources under the control of the Commanding General, Third Air Force, are made available to meet this requirement. All source units are authorized to refill to authorized strength immediately.

4. These actions will cause no reduction in grade of any individual concerned.

5. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner by submission of AAF Form No. 137-A and/or 137-B.

6. Paragraph 2 of Army Air Forces Memorandum No. 35-1 dated 18 June 1942, subject: "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates", will apply.

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7. Each reorganized unit will be equipped in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment [redacted] 11-400, 17 June 1943, to operate two (2) Radio Sets SCR-270-B.

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a. Each Reporting Platoon (Team C, T/O & E 11-400) is authorized all items of equipment prescribed in Table of Organization and Equipment 11-400 for a Reporting Platoon (Team C, T/O & E 11-400) equipped with Radio Set SCR-270, including Radio Sets SCR-188-A.

b. Reporting Platoons (Team C, T/O & E 11-400) will be of the fixed type, consequently, note "q", Table of Organization and Equipment 11-400, 17 June 1943 (formerly note "p", T/O 11-400, 1 July 1942) will apply.

8. Each attached Army Air Forces Fighter Control Detachment will be equipped in accordance with special list of equipment in Section II of attached Inclosure No. 1.

9. Each of these units will be fully equipped and prepared for functional duty on or before 15 September 1943.

10. Any excess personnel and equipment resulting from these reorganizations will be absorbed in other units under control of the Commanding General, Third Air Force.

11. Twenty (20) copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

12. Confirmation of the reorganization under authority of this letter will be reported without delay to the Service Commander concerned, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and the Adjutant General by letter.

13. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular #129, dated 1 June 1943.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from ACAS, OCAR (Fighter and Air Defense Branch) by WAR, dated 27 Aug 1943, subject: "Reorganization of the 704th, 789th and 768rd Signal Aircraft Warning Companies", and is necessary to fill the Aircraft Warning Service requirements as approved for Task Force (General Hale). These three reorganized companies are to be prepared for overseas shipment on or before 15 September 1943. The directive initiating this action is now being prepared by the War Department General Staff, Operations Division, and according to telephone conversation with Capt. Beaton, 28 Aug 1943, will direct reorganization as herein specified. Requirements of these reorganizations will not exceed the current Aircraft Warning Service Troop Unit Basis in allotment of Signal Corps (AWAAF) officers and enlisted men. Personnel required for the three attached Army Air Forces Fighter Control Detachments will not exceed, and are chargeable to, the current Army Air Forces Troop Unit Basis. This action will result in a decrease of eleven (11) officers, an increase of four (4) warrant officers and a decrease of two hundred ninety-five (295) enlisted men in authorized strength for the three reorganized units, including attached detachments. This paper is classified "SECRET" because of the Memo for Record. Published letter should be classified "RESTRICTED".

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ARMY AIR FORCES FIGHTER CONTROL DETACHMENT

List of Personnel and Equipment for each of Three AAF Fighter Control Detachments to be attached, one to each the 704th, 759th, 783d Signal Aircraft Warning Companies

Section I - Personnel

Captain: controller, air corps (1014)	1
First lieutenant, including	2
Communications officer, air corps (0200)	(1)
Controller, air corps (1014)	(1)
Total commissioned	3
Technical sergeant, including	1
Radio mechanic, GMS (759)	(1)
Staff sergeant, including	4
Radio mechanic, GMS (759)	(3)
Radio repairman, VHF (951)	(1)
Sergeant, including	7
Portable power generator, repairman (506)	(1)
Radio mechanic, GMS (759)	(6)
Corporal, including	3
Radio mechanic, GMS (759)	(2)
Radio repairman, VHF (951)	(1)
Private, first class, including	2
Radio mechanic, GMS (759)	(2)
Total enlisted	17
Aggregate	20

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Section II - Equipment

ITEM	ALLOWANCE Chemical	BASIS OF ISSUE
Mask, gas, service	20	One (1) per officer; enlisted man
	Ordnance	
Carbine, cal. .30, M1A2	17	One (1) per enlisted man
Pistol, automatic, cal. .45 M1911-A1	3	One (1) per officer
	Signal	
Radio Set SCR-573	1	One (1) per AAF Fighter Control Detachment
Radio Set SCR-574	1	One (1) per AAF Fighter Control Detachment
Radio Set SCR-575	1	One (1) per AAF Fighter Control Detachment
Radio Set SCR-624	2	Two (2) per AAF Fighter Control Detachment
Power Unit PE-75	2	One (1) per SCR-624
Power Unit PE-99	3	One (1) per SCR-573; SCR-574; SCR-575.
Flashlight TL-122	10	Ten (10) per AAF Fighter Control Detachment

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CHIEF OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 31 AUG 1943

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Ordnance Maintenance Companies, Air Force

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units now organized under Table of Organization 9-257, dated 12 February 1943 are authorized to reorganize under Table of Organization 9-257, dated 13 March 1943 and Change #1, dated 13 April 1943:

2001st Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2002nd Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2003rd Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2004th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2005th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2006th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2007th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2008th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2009th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2011th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2012th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2013th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force
2014th Ordnance Maintenance Company, Air Force

1. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Equipment 9-257, dated 14 February 1943, Change #1, 13 April 1943.

2. This reorganization involves no change in total personnel, officer and enlisted grades or unit equipment. This action is taken in order to show the correct date of the Table of Organization for these units.

3. Confirmation of reorganization will be reported by the Commanders concerned to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, US Army Forces, CBI, Rear Echelon, New Delhi, India
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force

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Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Air Forces School of Applied Tactics
Commanding Officer, 15th Statistical Control Unit (Sp), Patterson Fld, Ohio
Commanding Officer, 18th Statistical Control Unit, Orlando, Fla.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chiefs of all Technical Services
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: These units were organized under an advanced copy of Table of Organization 9-257, dated 12 February 1943. This action is for the purpose of organizing them under the current Table of Organization and Table of Equipment and involves no change in total personnel, officer and enlisted grades or authorized equipment.

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Headquarters, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D.C. 3 November 1943

TO: Commanding General, Third Air Force, Tampa, Florida

A copy of letter requested in paragraph 1 of basic communication is enclosed for your files.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT,
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adj. Gen.

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25 SEP 1943

SUBJECT: Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

TO: Commanding General,
Second Air Force,
Colorado Springs,
Colorado.

1. Your attention is invited to the attached copy of Memorandum from the Deputy Chief of Staff to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, dated 13 August 1943, subject as above.

2. This Headquarters will take the necessary steps for providing personnel to eliminate the existing deficit in tactical service units and for the formulation of an activation program scheduled to the availability of personnel.

3. It is the function of the Air Service Command and the operational Air Forces to train the tactical service units for the efficient performance of their primary missions in the theatres. This will necessitate full cooperation between the Commanding General, Air Service Command, and the Commanding Generals of the operational Air Forces in affording Service Groups, and their associated services, the opportunity of training in conjunction with combat groups as a team. Particular attention is invited to paragraph seven (7) of the attached Memorandum from the Deputy Chief of Staff which requires that parent Service Groups be assigned to appropriate stations where final phase OTU training is conducted for Combat Groups to provide continuity of operation and to afford suitable training to additional service units in the performance of third echelon functions which may normally be expected of them in the theatre. This plan will provide suitable training for Service Groups, acquaint Combat Groups with the type of service they may expect in theatres of operations, and will accomplish desired manpower economy by the utilization of Service Group personnel in lieu of station complement personnel and civilian employees in sub-depots.

4. It is directed that you, in conjunction with the Commanding General, Air Service Command, immediately devise and put into effect in your Air Force, a suitable plan to implement the directive from the Deputy Chief of Staff. This plan will include the following provisions:

a. The command of the Air Base selected for this training will remain with the Air Force and the Base commander will be appointed by the Air Force Commander.

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b. The Service Group will function under the operational control of the base commander. This is necessary to insure that operational requirements and time schedules of combat OTU's are met.

c. The Commanding General, Air Service Command, will be responsible for the provision of adequately organized, trained and equipped Service Groups to provide the service requirements of the base and the supervisory training of the additional Service Units.

d. The administration and training of the Service Groups, and affiliated service units will be the responsibility of the Commanding General, Air Service Command.

e. Channels of command and communication in matters relating to the administration and training of Service Groups and in matters relating to the operation of sub-depots by the service squadrons will be direct through Air Service Command channels to the Service Groups. Copies of such directives and instructions will be furnished the Air Force Commander in every instance. Correspondence will be coordinated by both the Commanding General, Air Service Command, and the Air Force commander concerned prior to issue in all matters where the prerogatives or responsibilities of either agency are concerned. The Air Force commander will advise the Air Service Command of any contemplated changes in his over-all training plans to permit that agency to formulate its plan simultaneously and thereby preclude any delay in supply, sub-depot and service facilities.

5. Although the replacement of station complement personnel by the Service Group to the fullest possible extent is desired the necessity is realized of retaining certain station complement elements such as Medical, Communications and Weather. It will also be necessary to continue the present method of handling post utilities by the post engineer in cooperation with the Service Command. At posts where considerable fixed installations exist, authority is granted to retain a small Air Base Detachment to meet such requirements as you may determine. It is emphasized, however, that the facilities of the post or station must be manned to the fullest possible extent by the personnel of the Service Group which must also be required to render all third echelon supply and maintenance normally rendered in a theatre of operations.

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7. The plan agreed upon, in conjunction with the Commanding General, Air Service Command, to implement the attached directive from the Deputy Chief of Staff, will be submitted to this Headquarters for approval. It is to be remarked that this plan need not embrace all final phase training stations of your command but may be limited to such stations as you, in agreement with the Commanding General, Air Service Command, may determine to be necessary to meet the objective within Air Service Command requirements for the training of Service Groups. To the maximum extent feasible, stations should be selected for this training whereat military personnel has already been substituted for civilian in the operation of sub-depot facilities. It is believed that in some instances, Service Squadrons presently necessary for militarization of certain of these sub-depots can in this manner be released, and made available for theatre commitment.

8. The success of our operations in North Africa has demonstrated conclusively the necessity for coordinated teamwork between the air echelon and the service units of our Air Forces. The successful operation of the training plan now proposed will depend largely upon cooperative effort between yourself and the Commanding General, Air Service Command. This cooperation is essential to our air effort. To this end, base and service group commanders must be carefully chosen; and effective support to the training program must be rendered by all Army Air Forces personnel concerned.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed

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Major General, U. S. Army,
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
WASHINGTON

13 August 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

1. The implementation of the Army Air Forces program for Tactical Service units, such as Depot and Service Groups, is lagging behind the program for Combat units which must be supported. The policy recently established by the Army Air Forces, which resulted in Tactical Service units being placed in the same priority for personnel as Combat units, will assist in obtaining the proper balance between those Combat and service units which are formed in the future, but will not eliminate the current deficit in Tactical Service Units.

2. It is desired that positive and immediate action be taken to eliminate this deficit and bring into balance the Army Air Forces programs for Tactical Service units and Combat units. If this cannot be accomplished promply by other means at your disposal, the activation of additional Combat units will be deferred until the structure of the Army Air Forces is balanced.

3. The activation of units which cannot be filled to Tables of Organization strength for periods of three to four months is wasteful of available manpower and serves only to delay these programs. The practice of requiring a unit to be activated before its personnel requirements are recognized should be discontinued. A carefully scheduled activation program should suffice and be adjusted to the availability of personnel. Units which will not receive a minimum of 90% of their authorized strength within the first 30 days following their activation should not be activated. This applies to units of the Army and Services with the Army Air Forces as well as Army Air Forces units.

4. No additional Air Base Security Batallions, whether composed of white or colored personnel, will be shipped overseas. Each such battalion now in the Continental United States which is composed of white personnel and as many composed of colored personnel as may be required, will be disbanded. All personnel now in these units (officers and enlisted) which can be utilized in Tactical Service units, including Arms and Services with the Army Air Forces, will be made available to the Air Service Command for this purpose. Any remaining personnel from these units may be used as the Commanding General, Army Air Forces may direct.

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5. An inspection of certain Tactical Service units indicates that a shortage might exist in the officer personnel available for assignment to these units. If this need is critical it might be possible to obtain officers from the Army Ground Forces or Army Service Forces to partially correct this deficiency. Information as to the desired qualifications, grades, quantities and dates of reporting should be forwarded to the War Department.

6. The training of Tactical Service units must prepare them to perform their primary missions and functions in combat theaters. This requires appropriate field training such as bivouac, movement, concealment and camouflage; conducted under simulated combat conditions.

7. Combat Groups in theaters of operations must depend upon Service Groups (and associated Service units) for third echelon supply and maintenance. The effectiveness of the air effort is largely dependent upon the efficiency of this team. Training will include the conduct of combat operations supported by Service Groups performing all elements of third echelon supply and maintenance for the corresponding Combat Groups. For this purpose Service Groups will be assigned to appropriate stations where final phase OTU training is conducted for Combat Groups and will perform all functions expected of such Service units in combat theaters. This will include the replacement of civilian personnel in the sub-depots at these stations. These Service Groups will provide continuity in supply and maintenance functions and supervise the training of additional Service units.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ Joseph T. McNarney

JOSEPH T. MCNARNEY
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army,
Acting Chief of Staff.

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SUBJECT: Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

TO: Commanding General,
First Air Force.

1. Your attention is invited to the attached copy of Memorandum from the Deputy Chief of Staff to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, dated 13 August 1943, subject as above.

2. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces will take necessary steps for providing personnel to eliminate the existing deficit in tactical service units and for the formulation of an activation program scheduled to the availability of personnel.

3. It is the function of the Air Service Command and the operational Air Forces to train the tactical service units for the efficient performance of their primary missions in the theatres. This will necessitate full cooperation between the Commanding General, Air Service Command, and the Commanding Generals of the operational Air Forces in affording Service Groups, and their associated services the opportunity of training in conjunction with combat groups as a team. Particular attention is invited to paragraph seven (7) of the attached Memorandum from the Deputy Chief of Staff, which requires that parent Service Groups be assigned to appropriate stations where final phase OTU training is conducted for Combat Groups to provide continuity of operation and to afford suitable training to additional service units in the performance of third echelon functions which may normally be expected of them in the theatre. This plan will provide suitable training for Service Groups, acquaint Combat Groups with the type of service they may expect in theatres of operations, and will accomplish desired manpower economy by the utilization of Service Group personnel in lieu of station complement personnel and civilian employees in sub-depots.

4. It is directed that you, in conjunction with the Commanding General, Air Service Command, immediately devise and put into effect in your Air Force, a suitable plan to implement the directive from the Deputy Chief of Staff. This plan will include the following provisions:

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a. The command of the Air Base selected for this training will remain with the Air Force and the base commander will be appointed by the Air Force Commander.

b. The Service Group will function under the operational control of the base commander. This is necessary to insure that operational requirements and time schedules of combat OTU's are met.

c. The Commanding General, Air Service Command, will be responsible for the provision of adequately organized, trained, and equipped Service Groups to provide the service requirements of the base and the supervisory training of the additional service units.

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By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed

Barney M. Giles,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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TO: Chief of the Air Staff

Date: 14, Sept 1943

FROM: Air Adjutant General

Comment No. 9
JBC:JB 5789

Inviting attention to Comments Nos. 3, 5, 6 and 8 above.

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Asst. Air Adj. Gen.

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Tactical service units to support combat units.

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Materiel, Maintenance & Distribution
Air Adjutant General

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JBC:JB 5789

Attention is invited to comments #1 and 5.

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Asst. Air Adj. Gen.

Incl n/c

TO: Air Adjutant General

DATE: 18 SEP 1943

FROM: ACAS, MMAD, Supply and Services Division

Comment No 8
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1. Changes incorporated as recommended in Comments 1 and 5.

L. P. WHITTEN
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.
Chief, Supply & Services Div.

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By NLC, NARS, Date 7-2-76

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF AIR STAFF. 26 AUG 1943

Subject: Directive from Deputy Chief of Staff.

I. There are attached, for your approval:

a. Two letters to Second and Third Air Forces prepared for your signature.

b. Letter to Commanding General, Air Service Command, prepared for your signature.

c. Two letters to First and Fourth Air Forces for signature of the Adjutant General, together with a transmittal Memorandum to the Adjutant General prepared for your signature.

II. Although the training of service units is now a function of AG/AS, Training, the plan set forth in the attached letters was devised prior to the transfer of this function, and the letters are therefore submitted for your consideration as representing the recommendations of this office for implementing the subject directive.

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Incl. 1. Ltr to 2nd AF
Incl. 2. Ltr to 3rd AF
Incl. 3. Ltr to ASC
Incl. 4. Memo to TAG w/2 incls.

L. P. WHITTEN,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Chief, Supply & Services Div., WDGSD.

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SUBJECT: Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units

TO: Commanding General, Air Service Command

1. Your attention is invited to attached copy of directive from the Deputy Chief of Staff to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, dated 13 August 1943, subject as above; also to copy of letter from Commanding General, Army Air Forces, to Commanding General, Second Air Force, directing suitable action to implement this directive in conjunction with the Commanding General, Air Service Command. Identical letters have been sent to the Commanding Generals of the First, Third, and Fourth Air Forces. Subject letters are self-explanatory.

2. You are directed immediately to take the necessary action, in conjunction with the Commanding Generals of the First, Second, Third and Fourth Air Forces, to devise and put into effect a suitable plan to implement the directive from the Deputy Chief of Staff. This Headquarters will be advised of the plan or plans adopted by you for this purpose.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed

Barney M. Giles,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the [illegible].

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SUBJECT: Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

TO: Commanding General,
Third Air Force,
Tampa, Florida

1. Your attention is invited to the attached copy of Memorandum from the Deputy Chief of Staff to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, dated 13 August 1943, subject as above.

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3. It is the function of the Air Service Command and the operational Air Forces to train the tactical service units for the efficient performance of their primary missions in the theatres. This will necessitate full cooperation between the Commanding General, Air Service Command, and the Commanding Generals of the operational Air Forces in affording Service Groups, and their associated services, the opportunity of training in conjunction with combat groups as a team. Particular attention is invited to paragraph seven (7) of the attached Memorandum from the Deputy Chief of Staff which requires that parent Service Groups be assigned to appropriate stations where final phase OTU training is conducted for Combat Groups to provide continuity of operation and to afford suitable training to additional service units in the performance of third echelon functions which may normally be expected of them in the theatre. This plan will provide suitable training for Service Groups, acquaint Combat Groups with the type of service they may expect in theaters of operations, and will accomplish desired manpower economy by the utilization of Service Group personnel in lieu of station complement personnel and civilian employees in sub-depots.

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By command of General ARNOLD:

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Barney M. Giles,
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SUBJECT: Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

TO: Commanding General,
Fourth Air Force.

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By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed
Barney M. Giles,
Major General, U. S. Army,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That a letter, substantially the same as that attached, be issued to the Commanding General, First Air Force, through the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command; and to the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, through the Commanding General, Western Defense Command.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Letters referred to above direct suitable action to implement the Directive from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 13 August, 1943 which directs necessary steps be taken for providing combined training of AAF Service Groups in conjunction with Combat Groups. Identical letters also sent to 2nd & 3rd Air Forces and to the Air Service Command, by command of General Arnold.

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Air Adjutant General

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Attention is invited to comments #1 and 5.

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Asst. Air Adj. Gen.

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TO: Chief of the Air Staff DATE 7 Sept 43

FROM: AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements COMMENT NO. 6
PHL/brs 5132

This office concurs in comment 5.

H. A. CRAIG
Brigadier General, U.S.A.

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Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Personnel — 1 September 43

Chief of the Air Staff.

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For coordination in the attached proposed letters, including suggested revision by AC/AS, Training, as indicated above.

MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

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Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

Chief of the Air Staff (Attention: Colonel Libby) 31 August 1943

Asst C/AS, Training

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AFACT-4, LBK:pl/71989

1. This office concurs in the attached but believes that the last sentence of Par. 4 g should be changed and an additional sentence added to include the responsibility of the Air Forces commanders to coordinate any contemplated change of their plans with the Air Service Command to permit that agency to formulate the necessary change in facilities and training of service units. Par. 4 g would then read as follows:

"g. Channels of command and communication in matters relating to the administration and training of Service Groups and in matters relating to the operation of sub-depots by the service squadrons will be direct through Air Service Command channels to the Service Groups. Copies of such directives and instructions will be furnished the Air Force Commander in every instance. Correspondence will be coordinated by both the Commanding General, Air Service Command, and the Air Force commander concerned prior to issue in all matters where the prerogatives or responsibilities of either agency are concerned. The Air Force commander will advise the Air Service Command of any contemplated changes in his over-all training plans to permit that agency to formulate its plan simultaneously and thereby preclude any delay in supply, of sub-depot and service facilities."

2. It is further suggested that the I Troop Carrier Command be included in the issue of this directive in order to inform that agency of the policies outlined and thereby forestall any faulty future planning in this connection.

3. We believe this correspondence should be further coordinated with AC/AS, Personnel.

ROBERT W. HARPER
Brigadier General, U. S. Army
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training

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Plan to be presented to General Arnold upon his return.

General Giles

25 AUG 1943

ACAS/Plans - Colonel Loutzenheiser

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1. Plan requested delivered to General Giles this date, by hand.

L. S. KUTER
Brigadier General, U.S.A.

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Japanese in the Army Air Forces

AC/AS, Personnel

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Chief of the Air Staff

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1. General Arnold desires to be informed of the number of military personnel in the Army Air Forces who are either Japanese or have Japanese ancestry.

2. He desires to know specifically where these people are located and if possible what type jobs they are on. He further desires to be informed as to whether or not we can get rid of this type personnel.

M. A. LIBBY
Colonel, G. S. C.
Secretary, Air Staff

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TO: Chief of Air Staff (Attn: Col Libby) DATE 3 Sept 1943

FROM: AC/AS, Personnel,(Military Personnel Division) COMMENT NO 4
TMB:fdk 72397 PMP-2

1. Attention is invited to the attached list of Japanese personnel furnished by Statistical Control Unit.

2. The Adjutant General's Office has been contacted (Colonel Allen) and has agreed to transfer this personnel to the Army Service Forces.

J. M. BEVANS
Brigadier General, U. S. A.

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TO: AC/AS, Personnel, (Military Personnel Division) DATE 6 Sep 43

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff COMMENT NO. 5
LVB/ee/71589

It is requested when the transfer of the Japanese personnel presently assigned to the Army Air Forces is completed, that a report be rendered showing their disposition.

ROBERT H. HARPER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Asst Secretary, Air Staff

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23 August 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF:

Subject: Recovery of Personnel and Inactivation of Units.

I. Discussion

1. Existing shortages in high priority units as set up in memorandum, Subject: "Priorities for Assignment of Personnel", dated 21 August 1943, to the Chief of the Air Staff, from this office, imperil successful execution of the primary mission of the Air Forces. To meet these shortages in the high priority units in the first two groups, it is essential that immediate action be taken to recover qualified personnel from the lower two groups.

2. Analysis shows that there is a considerable number of students undergoing instruction in technical schools in excess of program strength. Adoption of Manning Tables has not been accomplished in spite of much planning and talk about them. Non-priority, non-committed units are maintained at varying strengths and varying degrees of training. Sub-depots have been militarized to what appears to be beyond requirements. Guard squadrons are largely overstrength, sometimes as much as 300%. The School of Applied Tactics has grown to such proportions as to absorb in excess of 28,000 men.

3. It is proposed to recover for assignment to the first two priorities the personnel indicated in the preceding paragraph as well as any personnel revealed by further analysis.

II. Recommendation

1. Specifically it is recommended that the following action be initiated and vigorously prosecuted:

a. Inactivate all service units not on the six months commitment list and reassign personnel therein to priority units.

b. Withdraw students in excess of student program strength and assign to high priority units for on-the-job training.

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c. Reduce overstrength units to T/O strength and assign excess personnel to high priority units.

d. Reduce the School of Applied Tactics to the strength indicated in the April edition of the Army Air Forces Program and assign excess personnel to high priority units.

e. Reduce all Headquarters and Headquarters Squadrons to T/O strength and reassign excess personnel to high priority units.

f. Reduce all base permanent party personnel to the absolute minimum through exact Manning Tables not later than 30 September 1943. Note: In the event exact Manning Tables do not show appreciable savings in personnel, make an arbitrary cut to be determined by the Air Inspector not later than 31 October 1943.

g. Reduce aviation squadrons as may be necessary to fill vacancies in high priority Negro Service Units.

h. For the months of September, October and November ship no ground crew fillers to the 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 12th Air Forces. Ship casuals to the 5th, 10th, 11th, 13th and 14th Air Forces at the rate of 1½% per month only. (This will require action by O.P.D.).

i. Authorize no further militarization of Sub-depots unless they can be operated by high priority Air Service Command Units.

2. It is further recommended that

a. The Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel, be directed to monitor the actions indicated in paragraph 3 above.

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Colonel, G. S. C.
Deputy Asst Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

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21 August 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF THE AIR STAFF:

Subject: Priorities for Assignment of Personnel.

I. Discussion

1. Shortages of personnel either in total numbers or specialists available make these actions immediately imperative:

a. Establishment of priorities.

b. Increased on the job training.

c. Recovery of wastefully assigned personnel.

Note: This paper deals only with priorities.

2. a. Recognizing the basic factor in the maintenance of effective fighting forces as being adequate - not excessive - replacements in all categories of personnel, the first and unalterable priority for personnel assignment must be to Overseas Replacement Training Units.

b. First priority, therefore, will be given to assignment of casuals to Overseas Replacement Training Center and to Combat Crew Replacement Training Systems of the four Continental Air Forces and Troop Carrier Command.

3. a. To increase the weight of air attack on the enemy at the earliest practicable date, it is highly desirable to make available in accordance with deployment plans the maximum number of new combat units with their corresponding service units.

b. Second priority, therefore, will be given to assignment of casuals to the four Continental Air Forces and the Air Service Command to meet

(1) (a) Heavy Bombardment Units
(b) Corresponding Service Units

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(2) (a) Fighter Units
(b) Corresponding Service Units

4. a. To further increase the weight of air attack on the enemy and provide such facilitating units, such as photographic and reconnaissance units, it is desirable to continue activating and training additional units of these categories with their corresponding service units. It is also necessary to meet requirements of the Air Transport Command with minimum transport units and supporting service units.

b. Fourth priority, therefore, will be given to the four Continental Air Forces, the Air Transport Command, and the Air Service Command to meet

(1) (a) Medium Bombardment Units
(b) Corresponding Service Units

(2) (a) Light Bombardment Units
(b) Corresponding Service Units

(3) (a) Fighter Bomber Units
(b) Corresponding Service Units

(4) (a) Other Tactical Units
(b) Corresponding Service Units

(5) (a) Transport Groups
(b) Corresponding Service Units.

5. a. Maintenance of effective use of the Proving Ground, School of Applied Tactics, Service Units, Base Facilities, School Facilities, etc. requires the assignment of adequate personnel on the most economical possible basis.

b. Fifth priority, therefore, will be given to these installations, commands, etc. only after maximum reduction of personnel based on exact manning tables and corresponding allotment bases.

II. Action recommended

It is recommended that the priorities listed above be approved; that all concerned be advised; that future allocations and activations be predicated on this priority basis.

JOHN H. McCORMICK
Colonel, G. S. C.
Deputy Asst Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Increase in Certain Bombardment Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 393rd, 398th, 399th and 400th Bombardment Groups (Hv) be designated as RTU Groups and authorized additional personnel as indicated below:

Each Hq, Bomb Gp (Hv)	3 First Lieutenants (Statistical Officers)
Each Bomb Sq (Hv)	48 Army Airplane & Engine Mechanic (747) including:
	12 Staff Sergeants
	12 Corporals
	24 (Privates, first class (Privates
	12 Airplane Armorer-gunners (612) (Staff Sergeants)

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1. Total authorized strength of these units will be as follows:

	Off.	WO.	En.
Hq, Bomb Gps (Hv)	27	1	55
Bomb Sqs (Hv)	67	0	408

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2. The following Bombardment Groups (Hv)) are announced as RTU Groups for which increased authorization of personnel has been made previously:

19th	346th
34th	382nd
88th	383rd
330th	469th
331st	471st
333rd	

3. The 396th Bombardment Group (Hv) is designated as an RTU Group instead of a Parent OTU and authorized additional personnel as indicated above.

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4. The 470th Bombardment Group (Hv) is designated as a Parent OTU Group instead of a RTU and authorized a total personnel as follows:

	Off.	WO.	EM.
Hq, 470th Bomb Gp (Hv)	42	1	85
Each Bomb Sq	112	0	522

5. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

6. The following Bombardment Groups (Hv) are announced as Parent OTU Groups for which increased authorization of personnel has been made previously:

29th
39th
302nd
395th

II. That each Squadron of the 40th, 444th, 462nd, 468th and 472nd Bombardment Groups (Hv) (B-29) be authorized additional personnel as indicated below:

2 Captains (pilots)
4 First Lieutenants
  2 Pilots
  2 Aerial engineers
6 Second Lieutenants
  2 Pilots
  4 Bombardier-navigators

6 Technical Sergeants
  2 Airplane armorer-gunners (612)
  2 Radio operators and Mechanics (756)
  2 Airplane electrical specialists (685)

10 Staff Sergeants
  8 Armorer-gunners (612)
  2 Radio operator mechanics (756)

1. Total authorized strength of each Squadron will be one hundred three (103) officers and four hundred six (406) enlisted men.

2. Officer and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Commanding General, 58th Bombardment Wing (Hv)

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Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich. (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with the following R&Rs from Bombardment Branch, Requirements Division.

7 July 1943, subj: "RTU Groups in the Second Air Force"
27 July 1943, subj: "Redesignation of Heavy Bomb Groups"
6 August 1943, subj: "Additional Combat Crews for B-29 Groups"

The designation of additional RTU Groups is necessary to provide crews in accordance with augmented program for United Kingdom. The exchange of designation as OTU and RTU between the 396th and 470th Groups is in accordance with request from the Second Air Force. Augmentation of the Squadrons of the B-29 Groups is necessary because an additional airplane has been allotted to each Squadron, and this requires a total of 14 combat crews per Squadron instead of 12 as provided by the T/O . The augmentation was requested by General Wolfe. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This Memorandum marked "Secret" because of Memorandum for Record but published directive should be "Restricted".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of 17th Weather Squadron.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 17th Weather Squadron be reorganized at the earliest practicable date in accordance with Table of Organization 1-637, dated 14 June 1943, with the following types of stations and sections, in addition to the control and squadron headquarters:

Number	Type
10	A Stations
3	B Stations
8	C Stations
27	D Stations
23	O Sections
8	R Sections
8	S Sections
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1. Total authorized strength of the reorganized unit will be seventy-one (71) officers, twelve (12) warrant officers and four hundred sixty-six (466) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. Equipment for the reorganized unit will be in accordance with Table of Equipment 1-637, and will be supplied from sources available to the theater commander with any shortages to be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. The date of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General.

II. That the boundaries of the 17th Weather Region be coterminous with the boundaries of the South Pacific Area of the Pacific Theater as now or hereafter established.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, South Pacific Area

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Commanding General, Air Service Command
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R from Weather Branch, Requirements Division, 4 August 1943, subject "Reorganization of 19th Weather Squadron", and was concurred in by cable by Commanding General, South Pacific Area (See Cable No. 1847, 5 August 1943, to War, CM-IN-1679). Reference is also made to Cable Number 1586, 30 July 1943, from the theater. This reorganization involves an increase of forty-one (41) officers, three (3) warrant officers and two hundred fifty-one (251) enlisted men. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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18 August 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attention: Asst. Chief of Staff, G-3)

Subject: Strength of the Army Air Forces.

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I. Discussion

1. The Army Air Forces Program prepared 21 April 1943 proposed a schedule of units calling for an enlisted strength of 2,101,211 as of 31 December 1943. This program was prepared on the assumption that cuts could be made in personnel requirements based on an anticipated reduction in work loads for certain activities, primarily training. Subsequent developments and further experience indicate that a portion of the reduction previously estimated can be made only with a most adverse effect on the number and quality of certain critical flying personnel produced by the training establishments.

2. Memorandum for the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, WDGCT 320.2 (Gen1) (21 July 43) dated 21 July 1943, subject as above, established the revised authorized enlisted strength of the Army Air Forces for 31 December 1943 at 2,150,000 and reported the actual enlisted strength of the Army Air Forces as of 30 June 1943, at 1,998,948.

3. Included in the actual enlisted strength of 1,998,948, and charged against the authorized enlisted strength of 2,150,000, are approximately 110,000 enlisted men for which no provision was made in the Army Air Forces Program, 21 April 1943.

a. Of this number, 70,000 represent students in training under the college training plan for aviation cadets, approved by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, in Memorandum for the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, subject: College Training for Aviation Cadets, dated 7 January 1943. (Tab A.)

b. The remaining 40,000 represent approximately two months' intake of aviation cadets who are given basic training in advance of college training or regular aviation cadet training.

4. Continuation of this reserve of 110,000 enlisted men at the present level is deemed essential for successful accomplishment of the Army Air Forces air crew training program, and is believed to be a minimum requirement upon which to draw for students. However, since none of the individuals involved

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are available generally to the Army Air Forces until such time as they actually enter air crew training, the 110,000 have not been considered, for program purposes, as chargeable against the authorized enlisted strength of the Army Air Forces.

5. The Army Specialized Training Program was inaugurated in recognition of the need for developing in the American soldier, through educational facilities and training, the necessary degree of human intelligence and proficiency required for proper utilization of modern mechanisms of warfare. This need for minimum educational qualifications is general throughout the Army. However, due to the extremely technical and complicated nature of present day aircraft and aviation equipment, educational requirements for Army Air Forces personnel are peculiarly high, particularly in categories requiring air crew training. The College Training Program in the Army Air Forces is, in fact, the Army Air Forces equivalent of the Army Specialized Training Program for the remainder of the Army.

6. Changing requirements in the air war, and the need for additional maintenance personnel for repair of increasing battle damage, have necessitated augmentation of certain tables of organization. Likewise, in order to meet the higher crew attrition which is being experienced both through actual loss from enemy action and as a result of battle fatigue, and in order to insure maximum utilization in combat of all aircraft which are to be produced, it has been necessary to accelerate and increase the flow of students into air crew training establishments.

7. Based on thorough investigation and careful examination of the various military requirements embodied in the present Army Air Forces Program it is the considered belief of this Headquarters that no means can safely be devised which will permit inclusion within the present personnel allotment to the Army Air Forces of the 110,000 men required in connection with the College Training Program.

II. Action Recommended

The Secretary of War directs that 110,000 enlisted men (70,000 College Training Program and 40,000 in basic training prior to college training) now charged to the Army Air Forces overall allotment of enlisted personnel be made an additional charge against the Army Specialized Training Program and specifically earmarked for the Army Air Forces.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

[redacted] M. GILES
[redacted] General, U. S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: College Training For Aviation Cadets.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the plan as submitted is not favorably considered.

II. That the plan be modified as follows:

1. The number of students involved will be in excess of the 150,000 authorized for the Army Specialized Training Plan. The maximum number in college at one time will be approximately 70,000.

2. Approximately 14,000 students will complete the course each month and 14,000 new students will be assigned to college each month.

3. CPT training for the screening of air crew personnel will be given to each qualified student during the month in which each student completes his course.

4. The curriculum will cover a period of five months except that at the beginning of this program it will not be possible for some students to complete more than one month, two months, three months or four months of instruction.

5. Consideration will be given to use of Liberal Arts, R.O.T.C. institutions.

III. That the plan so modified is approved and will be placed under the Army Specialized Training Division for supervision and coordination, in cooperation with the Army Air Forces.

IV. That the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, will submit the detailed curriculum desired for this project.

H. O. WHITE
Brigadier General
Assistant Chief of Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attention: Asst. Chief of Staff, G-3)

Subject: Strength of the Army Air Forces.

I. Discussion

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are available generally to the Army Air Forces until such time as they actually enter air crew training, the 110,000 have not been considered, for program purposes, as chargeable against the authorized enlisted strength of the Army Air Forces.

5. The Army Specialized Training Program was inaugurated in recognition of the need for developing in the American soldier, through educational facilities and training, the necessary degree of human intelligence and proficiency required for proper utilization of modern mechanisms of warfare. This need for minimum educational qualifications is general throughout the Army. However, due to the extremely technical and complicated nature of present day aircraft and aviation equipment, educational requirements for Army Air Forces personnel are peculiarly high, particularly in categories requiring air crew training. The College Training Program in the Army Air Forces is, in fact, the Army Air Forces equivalent of the Army Specialized Training Program for the remainder of the Army.

6. Changing requirements in the air war, and the need for additional maintenance personnel for repair of increasing battle damage, have necessitated augmentation of certain tables of organization. Likewise, in order to meet the higher crew attrition which is being experienced both through actual loss from enemy action and as a result of battle fatigue, and in order to insure maximum utilization in combat of all aircraft which are to be produced, it has been necessary to accelerate and increase the flow of students into air crew training establishments.

7. Based on thorough investigation and careful examination of the various military requirements embodied in the present Army Air Forces Program it is the considered belief of this Headquarters that no means can safely be devised which will permit inclusion within the present personnel allotment to the Army Air Forces of the 110,000 men required in connection with the College Training Program.

II. Action Recommended

The Secretary of War directs that 110,000 enlisted men (70,000 College Training Program and 40,000 in basic training prior to college training) now charged to the Army Air Forces overall allotment of enlisted personnel be made an additional charge against the Army Specialized Training Program and specifically earmarked for the Army Air Forces.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

BARNEY M. GILES
Major General, U. S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff

Incl: Tab A-Memo for CG/AAF
Subj: College Training
Avn. Cadets dtd 7 Jan 43.

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January 7, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: College Training For Aviation Cadets.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the plan as submitted is not favorably considered.

II. That the plan be modified as follows:

1. The number of students involved will be in excess of the 150,000 authorized for the Army Specialized Training Plan. The maximum number in college at one time will be approximately 70,000.

2. Approximately 14,000 students will complete the course each month and 14,000 new students will be assigned to college each month.

3. CPT training for the screening of air crew personnel will be given to each qualified student during the month in which each student completes his course.

4. The curriculum will cover a period of five months except that at the beginning of this program it will not be possible for some students to complete more than one month, two months, three months or four months of instruction.

5. Consideration will be given to use of Liberal Arts, R.O.T.C. institutions.

III. That the plan so modified is approved and will be placed under the Army Specialized Training Division for supervision and coordination, in cooperation with the Army Air Forces.

IV. That the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, will submit the detailed curriculum desired for this project.

M. G. WHITE
Brigadier General
Assistant Chief of Staff

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SUBJECT: Air Forces Personnel Strength, 31 December 1945.

TO : Chief, Bureau of Aeronautics,
Navy Department, Washington, D. C.

1. Reference is made to your letter dated 12 August 1943, file AER-1-PG-EW 18/P, subject as above.

2. The planned strength of the Army Air Forces as of 31 December 1945 is 320,882 officers, 11,732 warrant officers, and 2,346,344 enlisted men.

3. It is requested that this Headquarters be furnished similar information with regard to the Navy.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Rear Admiral Davison, Assistant Chief of Bureau of Aeronautics, agreed in telephone conversation 28 August 1943 with Captain James S. Lanham, AC/AS, OC&R, Programs Branch, to furnish the same information concerning the Navy. He is confirming this request in writing.

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TO: Air Adjutant General

DATE: 28 Aug 1943

FROM: AC/AS, OC&R, Programs Branch

Comment No. 7
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Rear Admiral Davison, Assistant Chief of Bureau of Aeronautics, agreed to furnish like information and is confirming the agreement in writing. Memorandum for Record has been made on file copy of the letter to the Navy.

BYRON E. BRUGGE
Colonel, Air Corps

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Air Forces Personnel Strength, 31 December 1945

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments & Requirements (Allocations & Progress Div.) 27 Aug 43

Air Adjutant General

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In view of the Chief of Air Staff's Comment No. 5 above, it is suggested that, prior to the signing and dispatch of the attached letter to the Navy Department, assurance be obtained by informal contact with the Bureau of Aeronautics that like information concerning the Navy will be forthcoming. It is further suggested that a memorandum for record be made on the file copy of the letter giving pertinent facts concerning the Navy's agreement to furnish that information.

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Asst. Air Adj. Gen.

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Air Forces Personnel Strength, 31 December 1945.

Chief of the Air Staff

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Ass't Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

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The attached letter from the Navy Department, Bureau of Aeronautics, was mis-sent to this office. It is being forwarded in order that the desires of the Chief of the Air Staff may be known and such action as he considers advisable may be taken.

Incl: 1
Ltr dtd 12 Aug 43
fr Navy Dept

WM. J. CLINCH
Colonel, Air Corps
Executive, Ass't Chief of Air Staff,
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TO: Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Operations, Commitments & Requirements (Attention: AFRPG)
FROM: Air Adjutant General

Date: 18 Aug 43

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WDGsJB 5791

For preparation of draft of reply to basic communication.

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Colonel, A. G. D.,
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23 August 1943

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There is attached a proposed draft of reply to basic communication.

O. P. WEYLAND
Colonel, Air Corps

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TO: Chief of the Air Staff — Date: 25 Aug 43

FROM: Air Adjutant General — Comment No. 4
WDG:JB 5789

Attention is invited to preceding comment.

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Asst. Air Adj. Gen.

2 Incls n-c

TO: The Air Adjutant General — DATE 26 Aug 1943

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff — COMMENT NO. 5
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Approved provided that we secure the same information from the Navy.

BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U.S.A.,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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TO: Chief of Air Staff

Date: 20 Aug 1943

FROM: AC/AS, OC&R, Programs Branch

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Necessary action will be taken to comply with the two memorandums subjects: "Allocation of Personnel" and "Utilization of Personnel".

Incls-w/d

BYRON E. BRUGGE
Colonel, Air Corps

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Allocation and Utilization of Personnel.

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Chief of the Air Staff.

17 August 43

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1. Note the attached memorandum subject: Allocation of Personnel. You will take the necessary action to comply therewith making such changes as may be required under the allocation of new personnel as reflected in Tab A.

2. A copy of memorandum subject: Utilization of Personnel, is forwarded for your information. The original of this memorandum has been transmitted to Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Personnel, for necessary action.

Dispatched
17 AUG 1943
AAF

MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

Att: Memo for TAGetc.,
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Memo for CGS AGF, A/F
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Allocation and Utilization of Personnel.

Asst. Chief of Air Staff, Personnel. 17 August 43

Chief of the Air Staff. 1

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1. Note the attached memorandum, subject: Utilization of Personnel. The Chief of the Air Staff directs you take necessary action to comply with the provisions thereof.

2. A copy of memorandum, subject: Allocation of Personnel, is also attached for your information. The original of this memorandum has been furnished Program Planning for necessary action.

Dispatched
17 Aug 1943
AMC

MILLARD A. LIBBY,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary of the Air Staff.

Att: Memo for CGS AGF,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of the 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company be reorganized by the Commanding Officer thereof, effective 1 September 1943, in accordance with Table of Organization 11-297, 23 December 1942 and Change #1, 10 June 1943 on the basis of one Headquarters platoon and ten operating platoons with an authorized strength of fourteen (14) officers and four hundred and eight (408) enlisted men.

1. This reorganization will effect no change in present stations or assignment of existing detachments of this company.

2. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the usual manner by submission of A.F Form 127-B (Personnel Status Report).

3. Equipment for this unit will be in accordance with Table of Basic Allowances #11, 1 August 1942.

4. The Commanding Officer, 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

5. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding Officer, 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Company pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding Officer, 136th Signal Radio Intelligence Co
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chiefs of all Technical Services
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

JOHN B. COOLEY
Col., A. G. D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action requested by Requirements Branch of O.C. & R. and is desired in order to provide platoons to monitor all Army Airways Communications System frequencies for security purposes and weather reports for the Weather Office, Washington, D. C. In addition to these duties the detachments sent to overseas theaters will be under the local theater commanders for assignment to special missions. This action will be accomplished within the personnel now set up for Signal Radio Intelligence Companies in the Army Air Forces Program by removal of the one remaining Signal Radio Intelligence Company (which has not been activated) from the Program. Major Kinseney of AFREQ/T concurred in the removal of this unit verbally on 11 August 1943. Personnel for this action will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This paper is classified 'Secret' because of Memorandum for Record: published directive should be classified 'Restricted'.

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The attached is in accordance with Memorandum for Commanding Generals, Army Air Forces, Army Ground Forces, Army Service Forces; WDGCT 319.1 (3-19-42) Subject: "Reports Reference Activation of Units", April 8, 1942, requesting that a list of units activated by this Headquarters be submitted to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, semi-monthly on the 14th and 28th day of each month.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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JOHN B. COOLEY
Col., A. G. D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General

Incl -
List of Units activated, redesignated, amended and disbanded, July 28, 1943, thru August 14, 1943.

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ACTIVATIONS - JULY 28, 1943 to AUG 14, 1943

435th Sub Depot - Reno Army Air Base, Reno, Nevada

Hq, CG, AAF Units, India-Burma Theater and Air Adviser to Asiatic Theater Commander -
434th Sub Depot - Ardmore Army Air Field, Ardmore, Oklahoma

Hq & Hq Sq, 68th Fighter Wing -

Hq & Hq Sq, 69th Bombardment Wing -

Hq & Hq Sq, Base Air Depot Area -

Hq & Hq Sq, 8th Air Service Strategic Control Area -

Hq & Hq Sq, 8th Air Service Tactical Control Area -

2nd Radar Calibration Detachment - Mitchel Field, New York
3rd Radar Calibration Detachment - Mitchel Field, New York
4th Radar Calibration Detachment - Mitchel Field, New York
5th Radar Calibration Detachment - Mitchel Field, New York
6th Radar Calibration Detachment - Mitchel Field, New York
7th Radar Calibration Detachment - Mitchel Field, New York
9th Radar Calibration Detachment - Mitchel Field, New York
10th Radar Calibration Detachment - Mitchel Field, New York
11th Radar Calibration Detachment - Mitchel Field, New York

Hq & Hq Sq, 70th Fighter Wing - Paine Field, Seattle, Washington

Hq & Hq Sq, 71st Fighter Wing - March Field, California

*454th Aviation Squadron - AAF, Alexandria, Louisiana

Hq & Hq Sq, 72nd Bombardment Operational Training Wing (Hv) - AAB, Rapid City, S.D.

Hq, Army Air Forces Redistribution Center - Atlantic City, New Jersey

*467th Army Air Forces Band - Hamilton Field, California

Hq, 74th Flying Training Wing - Turner Field, Albany, Georgia

Hq, 75th Flying Training Wing - Buckingham Army Air Field, Ft. Myers, Florida

Hq, 76th Flying Training Wing - Smyrna Army Air Field, Smyrna, Tennessee

Hq, 77th Flying Training Wing - Foster Field, Victoria, Texas

Hq, 78th Flying Training Wing - San Antonio Avn Cadet Center, San Antonio, Tex.

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ACTIVATIONS - JULY 28, 1943, to AUG 14, 1943

Hq, 79th Flying Training Wing, Harlingen Army Air Field, Harlingen, Texas

Hq, 80th Flying Training Wing, San Marcos Army Air Field, San Marcos, Texas

Hq, 81st Flying Training Wing, Santa Ana Army Air Base, Santa Ana, Calif.

Hq, 82nd Flying Training Wing, Las Vegas Army Air Field, Las Vegas, Nevada

Hq, 83rd Flying Training Wing, Douglas Army Air Field, Douglas, Arizona

Hq, 412th Bomb Gp (L), Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

652nd Bomb Sq (L),

653rd Bomb Sq (L)

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655th Bomb Sq (L)

Hq, 419th Bomb Gp (L), Lake Charles AAF, Louisiana
680th Bomb Sq (L)
681st Bomb Sq (L)
682nd Bomb Sq (L)
683rd Bomb Sq (L)

423rd Night Fighter Squadron, Orlando, Florida

*472nd Army Air Forces Band, Hensley Field, Dallas, Texas.

* 1367th Guard Squadron, Tonopah Bombing and Gunnery Range, Tonopah, Nevada

VHF Installation and Maintenance Unit (Aviation), State Fair Grounds, Springfield, Ill.

898th Women's Army Auxiliary Corps Post Headquarters Company, Tampa, Florida

1368th Guard Squadron (Reduced), Asheville, North Carolina

1456th Quartermaster Company, Aviation (Service), Bolling Field, D. C.

1574th Quartermaster Boat Platoon Aviation (Separate), Bolling Field, D. C.

1575th Quartermaster Boat Platoon Aviation (Separate), Orlando, Florida

467th QM Plat AD Gp (C-1-1394), McClelland Field, Sacramento, Calif.

468th QM Plat AD Gp (C-1-1394), Hill Field, Ogden, Utah

1008th Quartermaster Boat Company (Aviation), Colorado Springs, Colorado

933rd Engineer Avn Regiment (less 3 Battalions), Davis -Monthan Field, Tucson, Ariz.

*934th Engineer Avn Regiment (less 3 Battalions) Boise, Idaho
*Negro Enlisted Personnel

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ACTIVATIONS - JULY 28, 1943 to AUGUST 14, 1943.

Atlantic Overseas Air Service Command -- Newark Municipal Airport, Newark, N.J.

Pacific Overseas Air Service Command -- Army Air Forces Intransit Depot #3, Stockton, California.

INACTIVATIONS

Hq, 477th Bombardment Group (M)

616th Bombardment Squadron (M)

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618th Bombardment Squadron (M)

619th Bombardment Squadron (M)

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Present Designation	New Designation
Hq, 48th Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 48th Fighter Bomber Group
55th Bombardment Sq (D)	492nd Fighter Bomber Sq
56th Bombardment Sq (D)	493rd Fighter Bomber Sq
57th Bombardment Sq (D)	494th Fighter Bomber Sq
88th Bombardment Sq (D)	495th Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 84th Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 84th Fighter Bomber Group
301st Bombardment Sq (D)	496th Fighter Bomber Sq
302nd Bombardment Sq (D)	497th Fighter Bomber Sq
303rd Bombardment Sq (D)	498th Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 85th Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 85th Fighter Bomber Group
305th Bombardment Sq (D)	499th Fighter Bomber Sq
306th Bombardment Sq (D)	500th Fighter Bomber Sq
307th Bombardment Sq (D)	501st Fighter Bomber Sq
308th Bombardment Sq (D)	502nd Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 339th Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 339th Fighter Bomber Group
482nd Bombardment Sq (D)	503rd Fighter Bomber Sq
483rd Bombardment Sq (D)	504th Fighter Bomber Sq
484th Bombardment Sq (D)	505th Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 404th Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 404th Fighter Bomber Group
620th Bombardment Sq (D)	506th Fighter Bomber Sq
621st Bombardment Sq (D)	507th Fighter Bomber Sq
622nd Bombardment Sq (D)	508th Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 405th Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 405th Fighter Bomber Group
624th Bombardment Sq (D)	509th Fighter Bomber Sq
625th Bombardment Sq (D)	510th Fighter Bomber Sq
626th Bombardment Sq (D)	511th Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 406th Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 406th Fighter Bomber Group
628th Bombardment Sq (D)	512th Fighter Bomber Sq
629th Bombardment Sq (D)	513th Fighter Bomber Sq
630th Bombardment Sq (D)	514th Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 407th Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 407th Fighter Bomber Group
632nd Bombardment Sq (D)	515th Fighter Bomber Sq
633rd Bombardment Sq (D)	516th Fighter Bomber Sq
634th Bombardment Sq (D)	517th Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 408th Bombardment Group (D)	Hq, 408th Fighter Bomber Group
636th Bombardment Sq (D)	518th Fighter Bomber Sq
637th Bombardment Sq (D)	519th Fighter Bomber Sq
638th Bombardment Sq (D)	520th Fighter Bomber Sq
667th Bombardment Squadron (D)	521st Fighter Bomber Squadron

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DESIGNATIONS - JULY 28, 1943 to AUGUST 14, 1943.

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Hq, 27th Bombardment Group (Light) 16th Bombardment Sq (Light) 17th Bombardment Sq (Light) 91st Bombardment Sq (Light)	Hq, 27th Fighter Bomber Group 522nd Fighter Bomber Sq 523rd Fighter Bomber Sq 524th Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 86th Bombardment Group (Dive) 309th Bombardment Sq (Dive) 310th Bombardment Sq (Dive) 312th Bombardment Sq (Dive)	Hq, 86th Fighter Bomber Group 525th Fighter Bomber Sq 526th Fighter Bomber Sq 527th Fighter Bomber Sq
Hq, 311th Bombardment Group (D) 382nd Bombardment Sq (D) 383rd Bombardment Sq (D) 384th Bombardment Sq (D)	Hq, 311th Fighter Bomber Group 528th Fighter Bomber Sq 529th Fighter Bomber Sq 530th Fighter Bomber Sq
58th Bombardment Squadron (D)	531st Fighter Bomber Squadron
III Air Support Command	III Reconnaissance Command
Hq, 69th Reconnaissance Group Hq, 73rd Reconnaissance Group Hq, 26th Reconnaissance Group Hq, 74th Reconnaissance Group Hq, 66th Reconnaissance Group Hq, 76th Reconnaissance Group Hq, 432nd Reconnaissance Group Hq, 75th Reconnaissance Group Hq, 77th Reconnaissance Group Hq, 70th Reconnaissance Group	Hq, 69th Tactical Recon Group Hq, 73rd Tactical Recon Group Hq, 26th Tactical Recon Group Hq, 74th Tactical Recon Group Hq, 66th Tactical Recon Group Hq, 76th Tactical Recon Group Hq, 43[illegible] Tactical Recon Group Hq, 75th Tactical Recon Group Hq, 77th Tactical Recon Group Hq, 70th Tactical Recon Group
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REDESIGNATIONS - JULY 28, 1943 to AUGUST 28 1943.

Present Designation	New Designation
113th Recons Squadron (F)	113th Tactical Recons Squadron
120th Recons Squadron (F)	120th Tactical Recons Squadron
26th Recons Squadron (F)	26th Tactical Recons Squadron
116th Recons Squadron (F)	116th Tactical Recons Squadron
11th Recons Squadron (F)	11th Tactical Recons Squadron
91st Recons Squadron (L)	91st Tactical Recons Squadron
102nd Recons Squadron (L)	102nd Tactical Recons Squadron
21st Recons Squadron (L)	21st Tactical Recons Squadron
22nd Recons Squadron (L)	22nd Tactical Recons Squadron
Hq, 1st Mapping Group	Hq, 1st Photo Charting Group
Hq, 5th Recons & Mapping Gp	Hq, 5th Photo Recons Gp
Hq, 6th Recons & Mapping Gp	Hq, 6th Photo Recons Gp
Hq, 2nd Recons & Mapping Gp	Hq, 2nd Photo Recons Gp
70th Recons Sq (F)	31st Photo Recons Sq
45th Recons Sq (F)	32nd Photo Recons Sq
126th Recons Sq (F)	34th Photo Recons Sq
1st Photo Mapping Sq	1st Photo Charting Sq
2nd Photo Mapping Sq	2nd Photo Charting Sq
4th Photo Mapping Sq	4th Photo Charting Sq
19th Photo Sq (Hv)	19th Photo Charting Sq
16th Photographic Unit (Sp Purpose)	16th Domestic Photo Unit
24th Photo Sq (Hv)	24th Combat Mapping Sq
20th Photo Sq (Hv)	20th Combat Mapping Sq
7th Photo Sq (L)	7th Photo Recons Sq
24th Recons Sq (L)	33rd Photo Recons Sq
123rd Recons Sq (L)	35th Photo Recons Sq
10th Photo Sq (L)	10th Photo Recons Sq
11th Photo Sq (Hv)	11th Combat Mapping Sq
27th Photo Sq (L)	27th Photo Recons Sq
26th Photo Sq (L)	26th Photo Recons Sq
30th Photo Sq (L)	30th Photo Recons Sq
25th Photo Sq (L)	25th Photo Recons Sq
28th Photo Sq (L)	28th Photo Recons Sq
29th Photo Sq (L)	29th Photo Recons Sq
5th Hv Bomb Processing Hq	Hq & Hq Sq, 73rd Bombardment Operational Tng Wing (Hv)
Hq & Hq Sq, 19th Single Engine Flying Training Group	1182nd Single Engine Flying Training Squadron
Hq & Hq Sq, 22nd Single Engine Flying Training Group	1183rd Single Engine Flying Training Squadron
1175th Pre-Flight Training Squadron (Pilot)	1175th Specialized Pilot Tng Squadron (Four Engine)

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REDESIGNATIONS - JULY 28, 1943 to AUGUST 14, 1943.

Present Designation	
25th Statistical Control Unit	25th Statistical Control Unit, Overseas
926th Signal Bn, Air Support Command	926th Signal Bn, Separate, Air Support Command
921st Quartermaster Company Boat Avn	921st QM Boat Company Aviation
922nd Quartermaster Company Boat Avn	922nd QM Boat Company Aviation
339th Signal Company Wing	339th Signal Company Troop Carrier Wing
*621st Ordnance Ammunition Company	*3921st Ordnance Ammunition Co (Avn)
929th Signal Bn, Air Support Command	929th Signal Bn, Separate, Air Support Command
1000th Quartermaster Company Boat Avn	1000th Quartermaster Boat Co Avn
1995th Engr Fire Fighting Platoon (Avn)	1995th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Plat
1996th Engr Fire Fighting Plat (Avn)	1996th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Plat
1997th Engr Fire Fighting Plat (Avn)	1997th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Plat
1998th Engr Fire Fighting Plat (Avn)	1998th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Plat
1999th Engr Fire Fighting Plat (Avn)	1999th Engr Avn Fire Fighting Plat

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DISBANDMENTS - JULY 28, 1943 to AUGUST 14, 1943.

Army Air Forces Technical School (Radio School #5) -- Chicago, Illinois

Army Air Forces Weather Training Center -- Grand Rapids, Michigan

Army Air Forces Training Detachment (AAFTC) -- Hunter Field, Savannah, Georgia

Hq, 22nd Bombardment Training Wing

Hq, 23rd Bombardment Training Wing

304th Bombardment Squadron (Dive)

485th Bombardment Squadron (Dive)

623rd Bombardment Squadron (Dive)

627th Bombardment Squadron (Dive)

631st Bombardment Squadron (Dive)

635th Bombardment Squadron (Dive)

639th Bombardment Squadron (Dive)

15th Bombardment Squadron (L)

311th Bombardment Squadron (D)

385th Bombardment Squadron (D)

Army Air Forces Civilian School Area, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Technical Training Command -- Kansas City, Missouri

Army Air Forces Advanced Flying Sch (Air Corps Advanced Flying School) -- Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Alabama

Army Air Forces Advanced Flying Sch (Air Corps Advanced Flying School) -- Lake Charles, Louisiana

Army Air Forces Combat Crew School -- Winslow, Arizona

Army Air Forces Glider School -- Starkville, Mississippi

Army Air Forces Glider School -- Dalhart, Texas

Hq, 65th Reconn Group
Hq, 423rd Reconn Group
Hq, 424th Reconn Group
Hq, 426th Reconn Group

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DISBANDMENTS - JULY 28, 1943 to AUGUST 14, 1943.

18th Recomn Squadron (B)
37th Recomn Squadron (B)
44th Recomn Squadron (F)
105th Recomn Squadron (B)
46th Recomn Squadron (B)
33rd Recomn Squadron (F)
36th Recomn Squadron (B)
29th Recomn Squadron (F)

416th Sub-Depot -- Grand Rapids, Michigan

Air Corps Det, Ohio Institute of Aeronautics, 340th East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio -- Columbus, Ohio

Air Corps Det, Parks Air College, East St. Louis, Ill. -- East St. Louis, Ill.

Air Service Command Training Det -- St. Louis Sch Aeronautics, Lambert Field, St. Louis, Missouri

40th Sub-Depot -- Buckley Field, Denver, Colorado

Hq & Hq Detachment, 5th Mess Group, AAFTTC

5th Detachment, 8th Statistical Control Unit

Hq & Hq Det, 73rd Training Wing, AAFTTC

703rd Training Group, AAFTTC
708th Training Group, AAFTTC
713th Training Group, AAFTTC
714th Training Group, AAFTTC

16th Mess Squadron, AAFTTC

798th Signal Aircraft Warning Platoon

799t Signal Aircraft Warning Platoon

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AMENDMENTS - JULY 28, 1943, to AUGUST 14, 1943.

Headquarters of the 9th Airways Communication Squadron is at West Palm Beach, Florida instead of Borinquen Field, Puerto Rico.

Letter AG 322 (24 Jul 43) OB-I-AFRPC-M, Subject: "Disbandment of Certain Army Air Forces Units, dated 27 July 1943 is amended as follows:

Delete all reference to the Hq & Hq Sq, (AAFTC), AAF Basic Training Center #7.
Delete all reference to the Finance Det at AAFBTC #7, Atlantic City, N.J.

Letter AG 322 (5-20-43) OB-I-AFRPC-M, 20 May 1943, Subject: "Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units" is amended by deleting Paragraph 1 and substituting the following:

Effective upon arrival at destination the following units are redesignated as indicated, and concurrently therewith, the Hq, 40th Bomb Gp (Hv)(B-29) will be reorganized in accordance with T/O 1-112, 26 Mar. 43 and the sqs shown below will be reorganized in accordance with T/O 1-117-1S, 27 March 1943:

Present Designation	New Designation
Hq, 40th Bombardment Group (Hv)	Hq, 40th Bombardment Gp (Hv)(B-29)
25th Bombardment Sq (Hv)	25th Bombardment Sq (Hv)(B-29)
44th Bombardment Sq (Hv)	44th Bombardment Sq (Hv)(B-29)
45th Bombardment Sq (Hv)	45th Bombardment Sq (Hv)(B-29).
395th Bombardment Sq (Hv)	395th Bombardment Sq (Hv)(B-29)

Change station location of the 700th AAF Specialized Depot from 669 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Atlanta Georgia to 699 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Atlanta, Georgia.

Letter AG 320.2 (5-11-43) OB-I-AFRPC-M, Subject: "Constitution, Activation and Movement of an AAF Unit", dated 12 May 1943 is amended as follows:

In paragraph 1, delete "for permanent station at Asheville, North Carolina."
Delete Paragraph 8.

In letter AG 322 (1 Jul 43) OB-I-AFRPC-M, dated 12 July 1943, Subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Guard Squadrons", datpertains to the constitution and activation of the "1357th Guard Squadron at Laurinburg-Maxton Army Air Base, Maxton, North Carolina be rescinded.

Paragraph 2 of Letter AG 322 (24 Jul 43) OB-I-AFRPC-M, 27 July 1943, Subject: "Disbandment of Certain AAF Units", is amended to delete all reference to the following detachments with the Army Air Forces:

Medical Detachment	AAFBTC #7, Atlantic City, N.J.
Veterinary Detachment	AAFBTC #7, Atlantic City, N.J.
Medical Detachment	AAFBTC #8, Fresno, California
Veterinary Detachment	AAFBTC #8, Fresno, California
Medical Detachment	AAF Tech School, Chicago, Ill.
Veterinary Detachment	AAF Tech School, Chicago, Ill.

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Letter AG 320.2 WAAC (21 Jun 43) PR-M, 23 June 1943, Subject: "Constitution and Activation of Certain Women's Army Auxiliary Corps Units" is amended to show an asterisk in front of the "860th WAAC Post Hq Co, AAF.

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AMENDMENTS - JULY 28, 1943 to AUGUST 14, 1943.

The permanent station of the 669th Signal Aircraft Warning Company will be Hamilton Field, California.

Letter AG 322 (29 Jul 43) OB-I-AFRFC-M, dated 30 July 1943, Subject: "Constitution and Activation of a Radar and VHF Installation and Maintenance Unit (Avn)" be amended as follows:

In Paragraph 1, change station of activation from State Fair Grounds, Springfield, Illinois to Robins Field, Warner Robins, Georgia.

Delete Inclosure #1 and substitute attached inclosure.

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Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

AC/AS, Personnel (Attention: General Bevans). 14 Aug. 1943

Deputy Chief of Air Staff. 1
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1. Immediate action will be taken by your Division on the pertinent paragraphs of the attached directive.

2. Materiel, Maintenance and Distribution will monitor and coordinate the action taken, and will notify this office of such action.

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EDWIN S. PERRIN,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
WASHINGTON

13 August 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

1. The implementation of the Army Air Forces program for Tactical Service units, such as Depot and Service Groups, is lagging behind the program for Combat units which must be supported. The policy recently established by the Army Air Forces, which resulted in Tactical Service units being placed in the same priority for personnel as Combat units, will assist in obtaining the proper balance between those Combat and Service units which are formed in the future, but will not eliminate the current deficit in Tactical Service units.

2. It is desired that positive and immediate action be taken to eliminate this deficit and bring into balance the Army Air Forces programs for Tactical Service units and Combat units. If this cannot be accomplished promptly by other means at your disposal, the activation of additional Combat units will be deferred until the structure of the Army Air Forces is balanced.

3. The activation of units which cannot be filled to Tables of Organization strength for periods of three to four months is wasteful of available manpower and serves only to delay these programs. The practice of requiring a unit to be activated before its personnel requirements are recognized should be discontinued. A carefully scheduled activation program should suffice and be adjusted to the availability of personnel. Units which will not receive a minimum of 90% of their authorized strength within the first 30 days following their activation should not be activated. This applies to units of the Arms and Services with the Army Air Forces as well as Army Air Forces units.

4. No additional Air Base Security Battalions, whether composed of white or colored personnel, will be shipped overseas. Each such battalion now in the Continental United States which is composed of white personnel and as many composed of colored personnel as may be required, will be disbanded. All personnel now in these units (officers and enlisted) which can be utilized in Tactical Service units, including Arms and Services with the Army Air Forces, will be made available to the Air Service Command for this purpose. Any remaining personnel from these units may be used as the Commanding General, Army Air Forces may direct.

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5. An inspection of certain Tactical Service Units indicates that a shortage might exist in the officer personnel available for assignment to these units. If this need is critical it might be possible to obtain officers from the Army Ground Forces or Army Service Forces to partially correct this deficiency. Information as to the desired qualifications, grades, quantities and dates of reporting should be forwarded to the War Department.

6. The training of Tactical Service units must prepare them to perform their primary missions and functions in combat theaters. This requires appropriate field training such as bivouac, movement, concealment and camouflage; conducted under simulated combat conditions.

7. Combat Groups in theaters of operations must depend upon Service Groups (and associated Service units) for third echelon supply and maintenance. The effectiveness of the air effort is largely dependent upon the efficiency of this team. Training will include the conduct of combat operations supported by Service Groups performing all elements of third echelon supply and maintenance for the corresponding Combat Groups. For this purpose Service Groups will be assigned to appropriate stations where final phase OTU training is conducted for Combat Groups and will perform all functions expected of such Service units in combat theaters. This will include the replacement of civilian personnel in the sub-depots at these stations. These Service Groups will provide continuity in supply and maintenance functions and supervise the training of additional Service units.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ Joseph T. McNarney

JOSEPH T. McNARNEY,
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army,
Acting Chief of Staff.

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Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units.

AC/AS, Operations, Commitments and Requirements. 21 Aug. 1943

Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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1. Reference is made to RAR, Comment No. 1, 14 August 1943, above subject, to which was attached a copy of General McNarney's memorandum of 13 August.

2. Since the Training of Tactical Service Units has been transferred from the Asst. Chiefs of Air Staff, Training and MMAD, and since your office has been directed to re-study requirements and deactivate unfilled units, it is desired that your office monitor and coordinate the action taken, and prepare a reply to the Deputy Chief of Staff.

EDWIN S. PERRIN,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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Tactical Service Units to Support Combat Units

AC/AS, Training (General Harper) 20 August 1943

Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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1. Reference is made to R&R #1 14 August, same subject, to which was attached a copy of General McNarney's memorandum of 13 August.

2. Since the training of Tactical Service Units has been transferred from AC/AS, M&SD, to AC/AS, Training, it is desired that your office monitor and co-ordinate the action taken and prepare the reply to the Deputy Chief of Staff.

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20 August 1943
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EDWIN S. PERKIN,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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14 AUG 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Antisubmarine Squadrons (Hv).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 6th and 22nd Antisubmarine Squadrons (Hv) be reorganized, effective 15 August 1943, by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment 1-117, dated 26 March 1943 and Change #1, dated 25 June 1943.

1. Total authorized strength will be sixty-seven (67) officers and three hundred forty-eight (348) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

2. Fillers will be furnished by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127-A and 127-B.

3. Equipment for the reorganized units will be in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment 1-117. Any equipment shortages will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

4. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Antisubmarine Command
Commanding General, Newfoundland Base Command
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
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Memorandum for The Adjutant General

Subject: Reorganization of Certain Antisubmarine Squadrons (Hv).

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from Requirements Division, Bombardment Branch by R&R, subject "Reorganization of Certain Antisubmarine Squadrons" dated 11 August 1943. This action increases each squadron by thirteen enlisted men, dispenses with certain enlisted specialists which are in excess, and adds certain specialists which are insufficient. Personnel is available in the Antisubmarine Command to fill the vacancies. The 22nd Antisubmarine Squadron (Hv), now at Bluethenthal Field, Wilmington, N.C., is to move overseas in the near future. The 6th Antisubmarine Squadron (Hv), now in Newfoundland, is to move to U.K. the latter part of August. It is desired that both squadrons be reorganized prior to departure from present stations. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Augmentation of Certain Bombardment Groups (Hv).

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be augmented as indicated below:

Unit	Augmentation
401st Bombardment Group (Hv)	
612th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
613th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
614th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
615th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
445th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
700th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
701st Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
702nd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
703rd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
446th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
704th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
705th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
706th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
707th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
447th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
708th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
709th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
710th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
711th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
448th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
712th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
713th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
714th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
715th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
449th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
716th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
717th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
718th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
719th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews

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Unit	Accumulation
450th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
720th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
721st Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
722nd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
723rd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
451st Bombardment Group (Hv)	
724th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
725th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
726th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
727th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
452nd Bombardment Group (Hv)	
728th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
729th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
730th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
731st Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
453rd Bombardment Group (Hv)	
732nd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
733rd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
734th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
735th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
454th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
736th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
737th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
738th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
739th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
455th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
740th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
741st Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
742nd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
743rd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
456th Bombardment Group (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
744th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
745th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
746th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
747th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
457th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
748th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
749th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
750th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
751st Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
458th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
752nd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews

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Unit	Augmentation
753rd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
754th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
755th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
459th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
756th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
757th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
758th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
759th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
460th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
760th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
761st Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
762nd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
763rd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
461st Bombardment Group (Hv)	
764th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
765th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
766th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
767th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
463rd Bombardment Group (Hv)	
772nd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
773rd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
774th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
775th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
464th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
776th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
777th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
778th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
779th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
465th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
780th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
781st Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
782nd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
783rd Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
466th Bombardment Group (Hv)	
784th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
785th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
786th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
787th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
467th Bombardment Group	
788th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
789th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	6 Combat Crews
790th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews
791st Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	5 Combat Crews

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1. Bombardment Squadrons (Hv) augmented above will have new total authorized strength as indicated below:

	Total New Authorized Strength	
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Bombardment Squadrons (Hv) Augmented by 8 Combat Crews	87	290
Bombardment Squadrons (Hv) Augmented by 6 Combat Crews	91	286

2. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be announced in a separate communication.

3. Additional equipment for each Bombardment Group (Hv) augmented by additional twenty-two (22) combat crews will be as follows:

Air Forces Equipment

Items	Allowances	Basis of Issue and Remarks
Equipment: Field Shelter (T/O. 00-30-12)	220	1 Per Flyer
Kit: Bombardier (T.O. 00-30-38)	22	1 Per Bombardier
Kit: Clothing & Equipment Flyer (T.O. 00-30-38)	220	1 Per Flyer
Navigation Celestial (T.O. 00-30-61)	22	1 Per Celestial Navigator
Navigation Pilot (T.O. 00-30-63)	44	1 Per Pilot

Chemical Equipment

Mask, gas, Service	220	1 Per Individual
Respirator, dust, M2	220	1 Per Individual When authorized by CG of AAF Bomber Command or equivalent

Medical (Individual Equipment)

Packet, First Air Parachute	220	1 Per Parachute

Ordnance Weapons & Miscellaneous

Pistol, Auto. Cal. 45 M1911A1	220	1 Per O, WO, EM Flyer

Quartermaster Equipment

Cot, folding, canvas	220	1 Per Individual

Signal Equipment

Headset HS38 (HS-18 until supply is exhausted)	220	1 Per Flyer

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4. The reorganizations directed in this letter will be accomplished by the Commanding General, Second Air Force from personnel sources available to him. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127-A (Personnel Status Report).

5. The reorganization of these units, to include the augmentations, will be accomplished at the earliest practicable date.

6. When reorganization has been completed, a report will be submitted to the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and the Adjutant General by letter.

7. Twenty (20) copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Second Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Second Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chiefs of Technical Services
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is taken pursuant to directive from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces that all heavy bombardment groups to be dispatched to theaters subsequent to September 30, 1943, will move with two (2) combat crews per assigned airplane necessitating a total of seventy (70) combat crews per group. This action was requested by M&R from Requirements Division, Bombardment Branch, 4 August 1943, Subject: "Additional Combat Crews for Heavy Bombardment Groups". Personnel necessary for these augmentations will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This paper is classified SECRET because of the Memorandum for Record. Published directive should be classified "RESTRICTED".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization and Reassignment of Certain Airways Communications Squadrons.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That Paragraph 1 of letter AG 320.2 (9-4-42) OR-I-AF-M, subject "Constitution and Activation of the 9th Airways Communication Squadron" dated 22 December 1942 be amended to show the headquarters of the 9th Airways Communication Squadron at West Palm Beach, Florida instead of Borinquen Field, Puerto Rico.

II. That the following letters be amended as indicated:

AG 322 (28 Jun 43) OR-I-AFRPG-M, subject "Establishment, Reassignment, Constitution, Activation and Reorganization of Certain Weather and Communications Activities" dated 28 June 1943 — by deleting so much of Paragraph 5 a. as pertains to the 9th Airways Communications Squadron and substituting the following therefor:

"Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength Offs.	W.O.	E.M.
9th Airways Communications Squadron	1-447, 29 May 1943	124	1	816

Class Stations (in addition to regional control and squadron headquarters)

Communications

Class A	10
Class B	15
Class C	1
Class D	1
Class T	12
Class X	9

Cryptographic

Class I	10
Class II	10
Message Centers	3."

AG 322 (30 Jul 43) OR-I-AFRPG-M, subject "Reorganization of Certain Airways Communications Squadrons" dated 31 July 1943 — by deleting so much of Paragraph 1 as pertains to the 4th Airways Communications Squadron and substitu-

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ting the following therefor:

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	*Total Authorized Strength		
	Off.	W.O.	E.M.
	90	1	820

4th Airways Communications Squadron
Communications
Class A 11
Class B 10
Class C 48
Class T 1
Cryptographic
Class II 1

1. This action reflects the changes in stations and authorized strength resulting from the transfer of stations at West Palm Beach, Homestead and Miami, Florida from the 4th Airways Communications Region to the 9th Airways Communications Region.

III. That the 9th Airways Communications Squadron be relieved from its present assignment and reassigned to the Army Airways Communications System Wing.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Antilles Department
Commanding General, Antilles Air Command
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Edgewood Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
(5 copies)
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN E. GOOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with MAR, Comment #4,

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Memorandum for Record (Continued) --

dated 4 August 1943 from Communications Branch, Requirements Division. The change in strength and stations of the 4th and 9th Airways Communications Squadrons is necessary as indicated above due to the transfer of West Palm Beach, Homestead and Miami to the 9th Region. The transfer of regional control and squadron headquarters of the 9th Airways Communications Squadron from Borinquen Field, Puerto Rico to West Palm Beach, Florida has been requested by the Air Transport Command and by the Airways Communications System Wing. The reassignment of the 9th Airways Communications Squadron from the Air Transport Command to the Army Airways Communications System Wing is in accordance with memorandum dated 29 July 1943 from OPD to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, file OPD 580.8 ATC (13 July 1943) which approved the reassignment of Airways Communications stations within the Antilles Department to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces. All Communications squadrons assigned to the Headquarters, Army Air Forces are reassigned to the Army Airways Communications System Wing. This action does not represent an increase in the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Air Defense and Responsibility for Training in the First and Fourth Air Forces

1. Reference is made to your memorandum, subject as above, dated 18 August 1943. The proposal there made, though outlining a command situation which could be tolerated only in an area remote from all threat of serious attack, accomplishes the flexibility of control over First and Fourth Air Forces required by the Army Air Forces for training purposes. In this respect it meets the essential needs of this Headquarters and is substantially acceptable.

2. I suggest that clarification of certain paragraphs is required as follows:

a. Paragraph 2. a. (1) refers to the "First and Fourth Fighter Commands". Reference here, as elsewhere in the proposal, should be to the First and Fourth Air Forces, whose responsibilities with respect to air defense are discharged through the corresponding Fighter Commands.

b. Paragraph 2. a. (2) should read substantially as follows:

"Under the direct command of the First and Fourth Air Forces, a minimum of four (4) Fighter Squadrons with operational capabilities will be stationed in the Eastern Defense Command and four (4) in the Western Defense Command. These squadrons will be deployed by the First and Fourth Air Force Commanders in coordination with the respective Defense Commanders."

c. Paragraph 2. a. (3) should provide some clue to the nature of the "serious hostile threat" which would require the Defense Commander to intervene. Actual attack, of course, justifies such intervention. The serious threat should be one involving a probability of attack in force, and not, for example, the threat implied in every small flight of unidentified aircraft. This paragraph should be rewritten substantially as follows:

"In the event of actual attack, or when warranted by the imminent threat of attack in force against the area of

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Memorandum for the Deputy Chief of Staff
Subject: Air Defense and Responsibility for Training in the First and Fourth Air Forces

his responsibility, the Commanding General of either the Eastern or Western Defense Command is authorized to assume immediate command of any or all tactical air forces units stationed within the limits of his command, reporting such action to the War Department. A threat of attack which is not imminent, but which arises from general strategic considerations known in advance, will not justify assumption of command by Defense Commanders without prior War Department approval."

d. Paragraph 2. a. (4) proposes a continuation of the existing policy of "operational control" with respect to Antiaircraft Artillery Units. This expedient was suggested in the proposed letter for the signature of the Secretary of War forwarded in my memorandum to the Chief of Staff, through Operations Division, 10 August 1943. "Operational control", if continued, must be considered a transitional phase in the light of War Department doctrine since published. FM 100-20, FIELD SERVICE REGULATIONS, "Command and Employment of Air Power", states in Section IV, paragraph 18. b.:

"When antiaircraft artillery, searchlights, and barrage balloons operate in the air defense of the same area with aviation, the efficient exploitation of the special capabilities of each, and the avoidance of unnecessary losses to friendly aviation, demand that all be placed under the command of the air commander responsible for the area. This must be done."

For the Commanding General:

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Signed

BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Air Defense and Responsibility for Training in the First and Fourth Air Forces.

1. Reference is made to proposed letter for the signature of the Secretary of War (Tab B) forwarded in your memorandum to the Chief of Staff, through Operations Division, 10 August 1943. The amendment of Paragraph 2 of War Department letter, dated 22 April 1942, subject: "Defense of the Continental United States," as indicated in Paragraph 1 of Tab B, is being considered in the light of basic War Department doctrines as indicated below.

a. Defense of Continental United States is essentially a combined operation necessitating close coordination of land, sea, and air forces. Division of responsibility between the Commanding Generals of Defense Commands and the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, is contrary to War Department policy regarding Unity of Command. Violation of this policy would also further complicate the doctrine of Air Operations under Unity of Command by the Army and Navy, which has been developed after considerable effort in the Defense Commands.

2. The War Department is in accord with your views as to the need for providing the greatest possible flexibility in the conduct of the Army Air Forces operational training program. In order to accomplish this flexibility and yet concentrate the responsibility for all defense measures, Army-Navy air and ground, in one commander at the scene of action, your remarks and recommendations are desired on the following plan which is under consideration by the War Department. This plan has also been forwarded to the Commanding Generals, Eastern and Western Defense Commands, for their remarks and recommendations with request that replies be expedited.

a. The First and Fourth Air Forces, including all attached or assigned Air Force Service Units, are relieved from the command of the Commanding Generals, Eastern and Western Defense Commands, respectively, and are placed directly under the command of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, subject to the following restrictions:

(1) The responsibility of the First and Fourth Fighter

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Commands with respect to the operations and maintenance of the Aircraft Warning Service, control of radio emissions, and jurisdiction over all flying in Defense Commands will remain as presently established.

(2) Under the direct command of the First and Fourth Air Forces, a minimum of four (4) Operational Fighter Squadrons will be stationed in the Eastern Defense Command, and four (4) in the Western Defense Command, as directed by the respective Defense Commander.

(3) In the event of serious hostile threat to the area of his responsibility the Commanding General of either the Eastern or Western Defesne Command is authorized to assume immediate command of any or all tactical air force units stationed within the limits of his command, reporting such action to the War Department.

(4) The Anti-Aircraft Artillery Units in the Eastern Defense Command and the Western Defense Command, now employed in active Air Defense, will continue under the operational control of the Commanding Generals, First and Fourth Air Forces, respectively.

(5) Tow Target service will be provided the Eastern and Western Defense Commands by the Commanding Generals, First and Fourth Air Forces, respectively.

(6) Passive defense measures, such as blackout restrictions which may be prescribed by the Commanding Generals of the Defense Commands, will be adhered to by the personnel of the Army Air Forces stationed within the areas of those commands.

(7) The Commanding General, Army Air Forces, is authorized to deal directly with the Commanding Generals of the Eastern and Western Defense Commands in effecting the above changes and in implementing the Air Defense of these commands.

/s/ Joseph T. McNarney
Deputy Chief of Staff.

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SUBJECT: Defense of the Continental United States

TO: The Commanding Generals,
Eastern Defense Command
Western Defense Command
Central Defense Command
Southern Defense Command
Army Ground Forces
Army Air Forces
Army Service Forces
All Corps Areas
All Air Forces

1. Paragraph 2 of War Department letter dated April 22, 1942, subject, "Defense of the Continental United States", is amended to read as follows:

> "2. Within military areas, Commanding Generals, Defense Commands, are responsible for the planning and execution of all defense measures with the exception of those measures relating to active air defense. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces, is charged with responsibility for the active air defense of the Continental United States."

2. The First and Fourth Air Forces, including all attached or assigned service units, are hereby relieved from the command of the Commanding Generals, Eastern and Western Defense Commands respectively, and are placed directly under the command of the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

3. All of the antiaircraft artillery units in the Eastern and Western Defense Commands now employed in active air defense will continue to operate under the control of the Commanding Generals, First and Fourth Air Forces.

4. Passive defense measures such as black-out restrictions which may be directed by the Commanding Generals, Defense Commands, will be adhered to by the personnel of the Army Air Forces stationed within the areas of those commands.

5. For the information of all concerned and until altered as may be determined by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, the areas of responsibility for active air defense of each Air Force, and the responsibilities of the I and IV Fighter Commands with respect to air raid warnings and the control of radio emissions, remain as already established.

6. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces, is authorized to deal directly with the Commanding Generals, Defense Commands, in effecting the above changes and in carrying out his responsibilities for air defense.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Quartermaster Companies Boat, Avn

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 921st and 922nd Quartermaster Companies Boat Aviation be redesignated Quartermaster Boat Companies Aviation without change of numerical designation.

1. The 921st and 922nd Quartermaster Boat Companies Aviation will be reorganized at the earliest practicable date by the Commanding Generals, Eastern Defense Command and Third Air Forces respectively as indicated below:

921st Quartermaster Boat Co Avn: T/O 10-497, 20 June 1943	Officers	Warrant Officer	Enlisted Men
#1 x Col.3, Co Hq. 1 - 0 - 2	1	0	2
4 x Col. 4, Plat Hq, 1 - 0 - 4	4	0	16
7 x Col.6, Sec. B, 2 - 4 - 17	14	28	119
3 x Col.7, Sec. C, 0 - 6 - 14	0	18	42
24 x Col.8, Sec. D, 0 - 0- 9	0	0	216
4 x Col.9,Sec . E, 0 - 0 - 3	0	0	12
Total 921st QM Boat Co Avn	19	46	407

922nd Quartermaster Boat Co Avn : T/O 10-497, 20 June 1943	Officers	Warrant Officer	Enlisted Men
#1 x Col.3,Co Hq, 1 - 0 - 2	1	0	2
11 x Col.4,Plat Hq, 1 - 0 - 4	11	0	44
3 x Col.6,Sec. B, 2 - 4 - 17	6	12	51
13 x Col.7, Sec.C, 0 - 6 - 14	0	78	182
48 x Col.8,Sec. D, 0 - 0- 9	0	0	432
9 x Col.9,Sec. E, 0 - 0 - 3	0	0	27
Total 922nd QM Boat Co Avn	18	90	738

2. These units will be equipped in accordance with Table of Equipment 10-497. Pending issuance of the Table of Equipment 10-497, subject units should be equipped under Table of Basic Allowances #10, Organizational equipment and Table of Equipment #21, 3 March 1943, Individual clothing and equipment.

#Co Hq remains at Mitchel Field, N.Y.
#Co Hq remains at Hq, Third AF, Tampa, Fla.

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3. The Commanding Generals, Eastern Defense Command and Third Air Forces are authorized by this directive to activate only such Operations Platoons and Sections as are necessary to man, in accordance with Table of Organization 10-497, boats actually assigned to these companies. Permanent stations for Operations Sections and Platoons may be selected by the Commanding General concerned for all Operations Platoons and Sections. Changes in permanent stations will be effected in accordance with letter from Headquarters Army Air Forces, dated 19 June 1943, file AAF 370.5, subject: "Movement of Units within Continental Limits of United States".

4. This action relieves the Commanders concerned from responsibility for furnishing Boat Crews for any stations except those actually assigned to them. Only one (1) Class D Section is authorized for the Bermuda Base Command.

5. Personnel for these reorganizations will be furnished to the fullest extent practicable from sources now available to the Commanding Generals concerned. Personnel replenishment for source units will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127-B (Personnel Status Report).

6. The appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General will be notified by letter immediately of reorganizations effected pursuant to this letter.

7. Twenty copies of the reorganization orders issued by the Commanding Generals, Eastern Defense Command and Third Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, attention Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding Officer, Bolling Field, D. C.
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Fld,N.Y.
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Florida
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
    Chiefs of Technical Services
    Deputy Chief of Ordnance,Tank Automotive Center,Detroit,Mich(5 copies)
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For the Commanding General,

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: These actions are desirable to place the units under the latest Table of Organization. For the 921st QM Boat Company Aviation, this involves an increase in authorized strength of 17 officers, 1c warrant officers, 220 enlisted men. For the 922nd QM Boat Company Avn, an increase of 16 officers, 2 warrant officers and 295 enlisted men. This action provides a greater flexibility for the Air Forces Commanders in assignment of the crews and assignment of boats to meet operating conditions. This action was requested by Air Quartermaster in M&R, dated 21 July 1943, subject: "Reorganization and Redesignation of 921st QM Co Boat (Avn)". Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This action has been informally concurred in by Lt.Col. Train of OPD, who states that formal concurrence is unnecessary.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of the *621st Ordnance Ammunition Company

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the *621st Ordnance Ammunition Company be redesignated as the *1921st Ordnance Ammunition Company (Avn) without change of station or assignment.

1. This unit will remain organized under Table of Organization 9-17, dated 1 April 1942.

2. Confirmation of redesignation will be reported by the Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force by radio, to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chiefs of all Technical Services
Corps of Engineers
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Technical Services Division, Relabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Signed
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Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is desirable in order to have this unit redesignated as an Army Air Forces unit since it is now included in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis. This unit was reassigned from the SOS to the AAF by letter File OPD 370.5 SOS (10-2-42) dated 2 October 1942, subject: "621st Ordnance Company (Ammunition) and was placed under the immediate supervision and jurisdiction of the Air Service Com and by letter AG 320.2 (10-14-42)OB-I-AF-M, dated 15 October 1942, subject: "Re-assignment of the 621st Ordnance Ammunition Company".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 4 AUG 1943

Subject: Constitution and Activation of Certain Radar Calibration Detachments.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the First Air Force and activated by the Commanding General thereof at Mitchel Field, New York:

Unit	Date of Activation	Source of Cadre
2nd Radar Calibration Detachment	20 August 1943	First Air Force
3rd Radar Calibration Detachment	20 August 1943	First Air Force
4th Radar Calibration Detachment	20 August 1943	First Air Force
5th Radar Calibration Detachment	1 September 1943	Fourth Air Force
6th Radar Calibration Detachment	1 September 1943	Fourth Air Force
7th Radar Calibration Detachment	1 September 1943	First Air Force
9th Radar Calibration Detachment	1 September 1943	First Air Force
10th Radar Calibration Detachment	1 September 1943	First Air Force
11th Radar Calibration Detachment	1 September 1943	First Air Force

2. These units will be organized in accordance with Table of Organization 1-727, 12 May 1943, with an authorized strength of ten (10) officers and twenty-nine (29) enlisted men. Specific authorization of officer and enlisted grades will be furnished in a separate communication.

3. Cadres, fillers and replacements will be furnished as shown above. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 129-A and 129-B (Personnel Status Reports).

4. These units will be organized as nearly as practicable in accord-

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ance with the following schedule and will commence training approximately seven days after reaching table of organization strength:

2nd Radar Calibration Detachment
3rd Radar Calibration Detachment
4th Radar Calibration Detachment

Date to Reach (See Incl)	Date to Reach (See Incl)	Date to Reach
25% Strength	50% Strength	100% Strength
20 September 1943	20 October 1943	13 November 1943

5th Radar Calibration Detachment
6th Radar Calibration Detachment
7th Radar Calibration Detachment
8th Radar Calibration Detachment
10th Radar Calibration Detachment
11th Radar Calibration Detachment

Date to Reach (See Incl)	Date to Reach (See Incl)	Date to Reach
25% Strength	50% Strength	100% Strength
1 October 1943	1 November 1943	24 November 1943

4. Paragraph 2 of AAF Memo #35-1, dated 13 June 1942, subject "Effective Use of Enlisted Men, Aircraft Warning School Graduates" will apply.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment 1-727 now being processed by the War Department. Pending the publication of Table of Organization and Equipment 1-727 and appropriate expendable circulars, the equipment listed in Inclosure #2 hereto, is authorized for issue to each of these detachments in the quantities indicated. These units will have an A-8(b) priority rating for controlled items of equipment.

6. The Station Commander charged with activation of units under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General of the dates of activation.

7. Direct correspondence between the Commanding Generals, First and Fourth Air Forces relative to furnishing of cadres for the 5th and 6th Radar Calibration Detachments is authorized.

8. Twenty copies of the activation order issued by the Commanding General, First Air Force pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

9. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in

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War Department Circular 129, 1 June 1943.

10. Technical Order CO-28-SA will be complied with immediately.

11. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding General, Western Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, N.Y.
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Calif.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Maryland
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrences:
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#1 - Personnel Schedule
#2 - Tentative List of Equipment

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request in RAE, Comment #3 from Air Defense Branch, dated 23 July 1943, subject "Radar Calibration Detachments". The plan for utilizing radar calibration detachments was approved by OPD in memorandum for the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, dated 28 June 1943, subject as above, file OPD 320.2 (15 June 43). The ultimate assignment of these units which will be for the purpose of calibrating radar equipment to determine the coverage afforded by an aircraft warning system and the accuracy of the data transmitted by the reporting units will be as follows:

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2	North African	XII Fighter Command
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4	Southwest Pacific	V Fighter Command
5	Hawaii	VII Fighter Command
6	Alaska	XI Fighter Command
7	Panama	XXVI Fighter Command
9	Newfoundland, Iceland, Greenland	I Fighter Command
10	South Pacific	XIII Fighter Command
11	Southwest Pacific	V Fighter Command

Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces. This paper is classified SECRET due to this memorandum for record but publication should be RESTRICTED.

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1. For necessary action with regard to the augmentation of the *1189th Guard Squadron as indicated in the attached Memorandum for The Adjutant General.

2. Request basic communication be answered by your office with regard to action taken.

x TAG

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Inclosures
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Augmentation of 1189th Guard Squadron.

23 July 1943.

X CG, Army Air Forces

1. The augmentation of the 1189th Guard Squadron, Army Air Base, Westover Field, Massachusetts, as requested in the basic communication by the Commanding General, First Air Force, is authorized under the conditions stated in Army Air Force memorandum to Operations Division, 21 July 1943.

2. It is desired that the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command and the Commanding General, First Air Force be advised of action taken in connection with this augmentation.

By order of the Chief of Staff:

THOS. T. HANDY,
Major General,
Assistant Chief of Staff.

Incls.
Memo fr AAF (21 Jul 43)
to OPD, w/Incl. (w/Incls.)

ROBERT W. MEALS,
Lt. Col., G. S. C.,
Asst. Chief, North American Theater,
Theater Group, OPD, G. S.

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2. Request basic communication be answered by your office with regard to action taken.

x TAG

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

(Sgd)
JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Augmentation of 1189th Guard Squadron.

23 July 1943.

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1. The augmentation of the 1189th Guard Squadron, Army Air Base, Westover Field, Massachusetts, as requested in the basic communication by the Commanding General, First Air Force, is authorized under the conditions stated in Army Air Forces memorandum to Operations Division, 21 July 1943.

2. It is desired that the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command and the Commanding General, First Air Force be advised of action taken in connection with this augmentation.

By order of the Chief of Staff:

THOS. T. HANDY,
Major General,
Assistant Chief of Staff.

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Memo fr AAF (21 Jul 43)
to OPD, w/Incl. (w/Incls.)

ROBERT W. MEALS,
Lt. Col., G. S. C.,
Asst. Chief, North American Theater,
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WAR DEPARTMENT

HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES

WASHINGTON

21 July 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, OPERATIONS DIVISION

Subject: Augmentation of 1189th Guard Squadron

1. Reference is made to War Department General Staff Disposition Form, subject as above, dated 15 of July, 1943. (AG GPD 320.2 EDC (5 July 43). Investigation reveals that the increase requested for the 1189th Guard Squadron is not necessitated because of any special requirements peculiar to Antisubmarine units. The increased strength is required, so long as the number of units at Westover Field remain as at present.

2. While the two Antisubmarine Squadrons at Westover Field will discontinue Antisubmarine activities in the near future, it is contemplated that the field will be used by two or more Bombardment Squadrons. Therefore, it is recommended that the request for increase be approved.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. F. McCLELLAND
Brig. General, U.S.A.
Deputy Assistant Chief of Air Staff
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WAR DEPARTMENT GENERAL STAFF
DISPOSITION FORM

AG CHD 320.2 EDC (5 Jul 43)

Augmentation of 11F0th Guard Squadron.

15 July 1943.

X CG, Army Air Forces

1. For remarks and recommendations.

2. It is noted that the basic request to augment the 11F0th Guard Squadron, for the purpose of providing internal security to anti-submarine units, was written prior to receipt of the memorandum for the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, CHD 384 AAG (30 Jul 43), 30 July 1943, subject, "Transfer of Army Antisubmarine Airplanes to the Navy". It is believed that the above situation has eliminate the necessity for augmenting the above guard squadron.

By order of the Chief of Staff:

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Major General
Assistant Chief of Staff

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HQ, EASTERN DEFENSE COMMAND AND FIRST ARMY, Governors Island, New York.

TO: Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, Washington, D. C.
(Attention: Assistant Chief of Staff for Operations)

The recommended increase in the 1189th Guard Squadron as outlined in basic communication is approved by this headquarters.

For the Commanding General:

ERNEST E. McMAHON
Major, A.G.D.
Asst. Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS
AIR FORCES, EASTERN DEFENSE COMMAND
and
FIRST AIR FORCE
Office of the Air Force Commander
Mitchel Field, N. Y.

5 July 1943

SUBJECT: Augmentation of *1189th Guard Squadron.

TO: Commanding General, EDC and First Army, Governors Island, N. Y.

1. It is recommended that the *1189th Guard Squadron, Army Air Base, Westover Field, Massachusetts, be augmented as follows:

Present Authorized Strength M/T 1-3001		Recommended Increase M/T 1-3001	Overhead	Augmented Total	
Off.	En.			Off.	En.
4	191	1 x Col 4 (62)		4	264
		1 x Col 5 (8)	3		

2. This increase is considered necessary in order that the base commander may provide internal security for units of the Antisubmarine Command, as pointed out in letter, these Headquarters, 220, 1 April 1943, subject "Personnel Requirements for Guarding Equipment and Installations of Anti-submarine Command units at First Air Force Bases", forwarded by 1st Indorsement, your Headquarters, 17 April 1943 to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces: Two (2) Antisubmarine Command Squadrons are stationed at Westover Field at the present time, and all personnel for guarding their aircraft, installations, and facilities must be furnished by the *1189th Guard Squadron. This Guard Squadron, at present strength, cannot perform this function in addition to its other duties.

For the Commanding General:

RAYMOND GAREY
Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General

* Negro Enlisted Personnel

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL: 8 AUG 194[illegible]

Subject: Reorganization of *1189th Guard Squadron

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the *1189th Guard Squadron be reorganized by the Commanding General, First Air Force in accordance with Manning Table 1-3001 dated 1 November 1942 with increase in strength as indicated:

PRESENT AUTHORIZED STRENGTH		INCREASED STRENGTH	OVERHEAD	AUGMENTED TOTAL	
Off.	Enl.			Off.	Enl.
4	188	1 x Col. 4 M/T 1-3001 1 x Col. 5 M/T 1-3001 1 x Col. 8 M/T 1-3001	3	4	261

1. Specific authorization of officers and enlisted grades will be published in a separate communication.

2. Equipment for this unit will be in accordance with Table of Allowances 1-6 dated 5 December 1942.

3. The Commanding General, First Air Force will furnish fillers and replacements. Personnel replenishment will be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of AAF Form 127-A (Personnel Status Report).

4. The Station Commander charged with the reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, The Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois and The Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

5. Twenty copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, First Air Force, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (attention: Publications Branch, Air Adjutant General's Office). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

6. Technical Order #00-25-3A will be complied with immediately.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular 129 dated 1 June 1943.

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Memo for TAG, subj: "Reorganization of *1189th Guard Squadron".

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Fld, N. Y.
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Provost Marshal General
Chief of Ordnance
Deputy Chief of Ordnance, Tank-Automotive Center, Detroit, Mich (5 copies)
Corps of Engineers
Technical Services Division, Holabird Quartermaster Depot, Md.
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of War Department General Staff:

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOHN B. COOLEY,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

* Negro enlisted personnel

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with letter from Hq, Eastern Defense Command and First Air Force dated 5 July 1943, subject: "Augmentation of *1189th Guard Squadron", together with two disposition forms from OPD:WDGS. This action is necessary to provide internal security for units at Westover Field, Massachusetts. Personnel will be within the authorized strength of the Army Air Forces.

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21 July 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-3:

Subject: Strength of the Army Air Forces.

1. Reference is made to memorandum from the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3 dated 21 July 1943, file WDGCT 320.2 Genl (21 Jul 43) subject as above, wherein proposal is made to adjust the current allotment of enlisted men to the Army Air Forces from the July 1943 figure of 45,000 to a monthly rate of 85,000 for August and each succeeding month of this year. (Tab A).

2. Requirements as of 31 December 1943, for Air Corps and ASNAAF personnel, as computed in the Army Air Forces Program dated 21 April 1943, was 256,549 officers; 11,754 warrant officers and 2,101,201 enlisted men. However, requirements considerably in excess of these figures are now apparent:

a. The figures do not include personnel required for personnage manning of units which will be in the organizational phase on 31 December 1943. Units appear in the program during the month in which they are to be 100% manned.

b. The figures do not include requirements for 70,000 students in connection with the Army Air Forces college training program authorized by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, on 7 January 1943 (Tab B). In addition, it has been found necessary to effect a further increase in student population of 39,000 representing approximately two months' intake of aviation cadets who are given basic training in advance of regular aviation cadet training. Thus the figures do not include requirements for a total of 109,000 students.

c. The figures do not include attrition requirements. Present indications are that active theatre combat crew attrition rates which have been used for planning purposes (7½% per month for troop carrier crews and 15% per month for all others) are too low. The recent Bradley study of operations from the United Kingdom proposes 25.6% per month for heavy bombardment replacements. (Tab C).

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Subject: Strength of the Army Air Forces.

e. The 21 April 1943 program is computed as of 31 December 1943, on the basis of 14 combat crews at reduced table of organization airplane strength (52 crews for heavy bombardment.) All heavy bomb groups in the United Kingdom have recently been authorized 70 crews and the Bradley Plan proposes 72. (Tab C).

f. Requirements for additional combat crews have necessitated plans for an immediate increase in the crew training program from 80,000 to 91,200 pilots, from 90,000 to 140,000 gunners and from 16,000 to 19,400 navigators per year, and an increase in the training program for heavy bombardment replacement crews from approximately 510 to 1200 monthly. These in turn have resulted in requirements for additional training facilities and overhead in the Flying Training Command and the Second Air Force.

g. Numerous changes in table of organization which have been approved since 21 April 1943 have created substantial requirements for personnel not included in the program of that date.

h. Since 21 April 1943, requirements have been established for additional service, overhead and station complement units in theaters of operation, most important of which are for the European Theater. One item alone involves approximately 42,000 military personnel for militarization of 3 base air depots, 75% of whom must be furnished by 31 December 1943. Since trained specialties are not available for this purpose, it has been necessary to request authority for voluntary induction of 23,739 trained civilians. All personnel so inducted are to be charged to the Army Air Forces monthly intake. (Tab D.)

3. The cumulative effect of the additional requirements detailed in the preceding paragraph, as well as all others which have arisen since 21 April, 1943, are being computed in the form of a revised Army Air Forces Program. Such revision will be completed about 1 September 1943.

4. Pending completion of the revised program, it is urgently recommended that no adjustment be made in current monthly allotments of personnel to the Army Air Forces. It is the considered opinion of this Headquarters

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Subject: Strength of the Army Air Forces.

that any reduction at this time would have a most dangerous and serious effect on the ability of the Army Air Forces to carry out its immediate undertakings during a phase of the air war which is believed to be crucial.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

BARNEY M. GILES
Major General, U. S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff

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War Department General Staff
Organization and Training Division G-3
Washington

WDGOT 320.2 (Genl) (21 Jul 43) 21 July 1943.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Strength of the Army Air Forces.

1. The Deputy Chief of Staff has authorized a reduction of the strength of the Army Air Forces of 50,000 enlisted by 31 December 1943. An analysis of Air Force personnel requirements indicates the following:

a. Revised enlisted strength authorized 31 December 1943 2,150,000

Actual enlisted strength 30 June 1943 1,998,948

Augmentation July-December 151,052

b. Air Corps officer strength authorized 31 December 200,576

Actual strength officer 30 June 150,714

Augmentation July-December 49,862

c. Warrant officer augmentation July-December 3,444

d. The above officer and warrant officer requirements will come from the enlisted ranks. The total net enlisted intake during the 6 month period July to December must therefore be limited to approximately 204,000 men.

2. The present allocation of new Army personnel to the Army Air Forces is 45,000 per month. The continued flow of air cadets at the rate of 18,700 per month, 13,700 of which are to come from new personnel and 5,000 from other components of the Army, must be maintained. In order to provide a continuous flow of personnel to the Army Air Forces in the remaining months of this year and at the same time restrict the overall enlisted strength to 2,150,000 it is proposed that the current allocation to the Army Air Forces be adjusted as follows:

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July	45,000 (no change)
August	25,000
September	25,000
October	25,000
November	25,000
December	25,000
Total	170,000

This allocation includes all personnel from any source outside the present active strength of the Army. It is believed that additional increases to the Army Air Forces from other sources (WACs and transfers from ground troops) will be offset to some extent by losses of personnel by normal attrition and battle losses. Your comments on the above revised allocations are requested.

3. It is requested that a report be submitted to the War Department as early as practicable after 31 October 1943 indicating the strength of the Army Air Forces on that date, at which time further adjustment will be made in the allocation of personnel to your command as appears necessary.

By order of the Secretary of War:

RAY E. PORTER
Brigadier General,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

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WDSAP 353 (12-31-42)

January 7, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: College Training for Aviation Cadets.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the plan as submitted is not favorably considered.

II. That the plan be modified as follows:

1. The number of students involved will be in excess of the 150,000 authorized for the Army Specialized Training Plan. The maximum number in college at one time will be approximately 70,000.

2. Approximately 14,000 students will complete the course each month and 14,000 new students will be assigned to college each month.

3. CPT training for the screening of air crew personnel will be given to each qualified student during the month in which such student completes his course.

4. The curriculum will cover a period of five months except that at the beginning of this program it will not be possible for some students to complete more than one month, two months, three months or four months of instruction.

5. Consideration will be given to use of Liberal Arts, R.O.T.C. institutions.

III. That the plan so modified is approved and will be placed under the Army Specialized Training Division for supervision and coordination, in cooperation with the Army Air Forces.

IV. That the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, will submit the detailed curriculum desired for this project.

H.S. WHITE
Brigadier General
Assistant Chief of Staff.

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Enemy Data "Notes in Explanation of Final Enemy Bomber Station Manning Table in U.K." (Enclosure #3, page 1-3, Bradley Study)

"3. Although a considerable increase in numbers of personnel to operate one heavy bombardment group is demonstrated in the manning table shown, all commanders concerned consider this increase necessary for continuous efficient operation. It must be pointed out that the plan of operations calls for the operation of greater numbers of aircraft per unit against an experienced and highly effective enemy in ever increasing numbers in continuous daylight attacks. Further it should be noted that in the total of the station assignment 720 officers and enlisted men are combat crew personnel and although their continuous increases shipping space their transport to and from the U.K. requires same. Bearing, then, a plan of operations upon the station as proposed the following theory of operations is outlined. It should be forcefully noted that to ever attain this theory of operations the initial equipment and initial numbers of combat crews must first be realized in the lowest unit.

4. Theory of operations follows:

a. Station - 1 Heavy Group.

(1) As to airplane numbers, the group is organized as per T/O #1-117, March 26, 1943. It consists of 48 airplanes, 12 per squadron. Also present on the station are 12 additional airplanes or 25% of 48 not in the hand of the tactical group. This 25% is considered a ready reserve and will be in two parts, after operations begin (a) ready reserve airplanes calibrated and test flown (b) airplanes undergoing battle damage repair at the station by sub-depot personnel. At all times 60 airplanes will be at each station. Another 12 or 25% of 48 will be in the hands of depot personnel either as replacements awaiting assignment, being modified, 4th echelon battle damage, or overhaul. This then gives a total "In Theater" strength per group of 72 airplanes or 150% of 48 airplanes into 100% on hand, 25% in ready reserve, and 25% in depot repair.

(2) With the above airplane distribution each squadron will be called upon to produce a minimum of 10 airplanes for each mission. The group in turn will dispatch a minimum of 40. The bomber commanders feel that 40 must be airborne in order to get 36 over the target. Except for losses by enemy action enroute to the target the effort of each mission will be to place 36 airplanes from each group over the target, except in maximum effort missions when all available will be dispatched.

(3) Assuming 40 airplanes per group airborne, out of this number an average of 36 will get over the target, or, in definition, 36 sorties will be credited to every 40 planes dispatched. Experience to date indicates 6 missions per group per month

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including winter months. It is estimated by all commanders concerned that as a larger force is built up, each group is capable of 8 missions per month. For planning purposes, then, assuming 8 missions, each group will run 288 sorties per month. The loss rate per sortie has held very constant at 4%. Applying this sortie loss percentage, each group can be expected to lose 11.52 airplanes per month. This 11.52 airplanes is 24% of the IE of the group under the original premise of 48 airplanes IE per group. Now, present rate of replacement for all theaters is 20% of IE per group per month. The conclusion now apparent is that the Air Force Commander must limit the number of missions to keep his loss rate within the replacement rate, or that a new rate of replacement must be set up in the U.S.A. If the replacement rate remains at 20%, the Air Force Commander can only average 6.6 missions per month per group, although he is capable of averaging 8. The apparent fact is that the Air Force Commander can and will control his losses to keep within his replacements.

(4) For combat crews, as shown on manning table, 72 are required as IE at the station. This 72 crews equals 1½ times the IE in airplanes (48). Here again the replacement rate of combat crews has remained very constant at 6.4%. This is divided into (a) a 4% casualty rate per sortie (b) a 2.4% retirement rate under present Air Force policy of relieving any crew after 25 missions. It should be pointed out that, as yet, no plan has been formulated as to restoration of these retired crews. It is evident that, after a long rest in U.S.A., some of the crew members can be restored. What this restoration percentage will be no one now knows. The problem must be thoroughly studied by the staff in Washington in that it will directly affect the size of RTU training establishments in U.S.A. As a further break down the casualty rate is shown below by combat crew members:

Pilot	3.7%
Co-Pilot	3.4%
Bombardier	3.9%
Navigator	3.6%
Radio Operator Gunner	4.1%
Aerial Engineer Gunner	4.0%
Waist Gunner #1	3.5%
Ball Turret Gunner	3.4%
Tail Turret Gunner	3.7%
Waist Gunner #2	3.7%

Using a replacement rate of 6.4% per sortie, and again assuming 288 sorties per group per month, the necessary combat crew replacement per group per month will be 18.43 crews. This is 25.6% of the IE of 72 crews."

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Voluntary Induction of Technicians for Warton, Burtonwood and Langford Lodge Air Depots.

Commanding General, Army Service Forces, Washington, D.C.
Attn: Director, Military Personnel Division.

1. Authority was granted by secret AGO letter 1 June 1943, addressed to each Service Command, file AG 327.31 (5-20-43) MR-I, Subject: "Voluntary Induction and Enlistment of Technicians for the Air Service Command," to secure by voluntary induction and enlistment 3,060 technicians for the Air Service Command for assignment to the Warton and Burtonwood Air Depots in a foreign theater of operations.

2. Based on the Bradley Board report it has been determined that it will be necessary to furnish 20,679 technicians in addition to the 3,060 previously authorized for 4th Echelon Repair Depots for this theater. This requirement is in addition to filler personnel and units committed for shipment through September, 1943. The urgent need for these Depots and lack of properly trained personnel for this particular type of activity make it necessary to secure properly qualified personnel through voluntary induction (or enlistment of those over 38) of civilians with proper experience and training now employed by the Air Service Command. The Air Service Command reports that the personnel can be procured by this method.

3. It is requested that the Air Service Command be authorized to secure properly qualified personnel for the Warton, Burtonwood and Langford Lodge Air Depots by voluntary induction (or enlistment of those over 38) of civilians employed by the Air Service Command or from such other sources, as may be available, in the numbers necessary in each specialty required, not to exceed a total of 23,739. This includes the 3,060 referred to in AGO letter quoted above.

4. All personnel so inducted are to be charged to the Army Air Forces regular monthly intake.

5. It is further requested that authority be granted to ship this personnel direct to Air Service Command stations for basic training rather than to Army Air Forces Basic Training Centers; that the Commanding General, Air Service Command will be responsible for necessary basic training; and that The Adjutant General issue the same instructions for the shipment of this personnel as were issued for the 3,060 referred to above.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

/s/ GENERAL EVANS
signed by: J. E. Hevans
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Asst Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

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TO: Deputy Commander, AAF

Comment No. 2
Col. Eckert/lmc/2936

FROM: AC/AS-4

This office has studied the contents of the attached memorandum and concurs with the recommended action contained therein.

(Signed) E. M. POWERS

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Major General, U.S.A.
Assistant Chief of Air Staff - 4

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Deputy Commander, Army Air Forces

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HEADQUARTERS
UNITED STATES ARMY STRATEGIC AIR FORCES
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMANDER
APO 234

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3 September 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL SPAATZ:

I. There are listed herein a number of subjects for your approval and action upon your arrival in the States:

1. Organization of Pacific Air Forces Headquarters.

a. USASTAF and FEAF Headquarters should be merged. Redesignate Headquarters USASTAF as Headquarters Pacific Air Command. Such an overall command could well include units in Alaska and possibly those in China. Provide that the Commanding General shall enjoy the same prerogatives and assume the same responsibilities of command as now pertain to the Commanding General, USASTAF, except that the Supreme Allied Commander shall have operational control of Army Air Elements in the Pacific Theater required to accomplish the occupation of Japan and the enforcement of the terms of surrender.

2. 7th Air Force Transfer to Oahu.

General Kenney has agreed to release that Headquarters less assigned units for return to Oahu. Seventh Air Force should be assigned to USASTAF with station in Hawaii.

3. Advance Headquarters USASTAF and Wing Base Tokyo.

Establish an Advanced USASTAF Headquarters in Japan adjacent to MacArthur and Kenney's Headquarters. Also need authority from War Department to expand an existing Japanese Field in the Tokyo area to accomodate one VHB Wing of four groups. It is proposed to rotate groups to this base for a stay of about six weeks each to obtain training, rest and relaxation.

4. Complete Manning of Occupational Air Force.

FEAF Headquarters should effect an early transfer to the Occupational Air Force of all units scheduled for that air force and the release of the balance for assignment to USASTAF.

5. USASTAF Headquarters to Oahu.

Authority should be granted without delay to transfer USASTAF Headquarters to Hickam Field.

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6. Separate Air Force.

Call General MacArthur and other key personnel to Washington to testify before JCS or the Woodrum Committee in connection with the Single Department of National Defense, or a Separate Air Department. If it proves impractical to obtain Navy air at this time, at least a separation of our existing Army Air establishment from War Department supervision must be obtained.

7. Deployment of VHB Groups.

a. Latest word from War Department (WARX 58526 dtd 011644Z) deploys 12 VHB groups in the Pacific and recommends that they be placed as follows:

2 Okinawa
4 Philippines
4 Marianas
2 Hawaii

We recommend deployment within Pacific as follows:

2 Okinawa
4 Philippines
2 Marianas
4 Hawaii

b. A firm plan is required as soon as possible on the deployment of USASTAF and FEAF in order to decide as soon as possible on the number of bases and their location so that construction can be concentrated accordingly.

8. Guidance for Comgen Pacific Air Force.

It is highly desirable that COMGENAIR continually furnish USASTAF and eventually COMGEN Pacific Air all available information on policy which can be used to prepare our enlisted men and officers now returning to civil life in large numbers. Information recently given in teleconference with General Norstad is the type desired. A course of training should be evolved and sent for presentation to field grade officers in matters of national policy, political concepts and pertinent items in national diplomacy.

9. Air Depot, Okinawa.

The Air Depot at Okinawa should be transferred to the 8th Air Force without delay.

10. Intelligence.

A. Every effort should be made to maintain in all echelons of command those intelligence functions required in combat operation.

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b. The use of rated officer personnel, other than pilot, in Intelligence work should be authorized and should not affect their flying status.

c. Photo Interpreter personnel should be withdrawn from Photo Unit T/O's and included as Intelligence personnel in A-2 Sections of all echelons of command.

d. Aviation Topographic Engineer units should be an integral part of the Air Forces and not part of the Engineer Corps.

11. Atomic Bomb Program.

Energetic furtherance of the program to include the organization of at least a wing, appropriate training bases, scientific research installations, etc. Reference is made to Telecons from COMGEN USASTAF to COMGENAIR, nbr 3505, dtg 300910Z and from COMGENAIR to COMGEN USASTAF, nbr 96, dtg 011657Z.

12. Construction.

a. Have all Aviation Engineer Battalions actually assigned to the Air Forces both for administration and operation.

b. Although it may be necessary for the Theater Commander to have overall control of all construction, in his theater, it should be clearly established that the maintenance of airdromes is an Air Force responsibility, and troops must be under the control of the Air Forces for that purpose.

13. Training and Operations.

a. Primary objective of all training will be to maintain combat efficiency at the high level now existing in veteran VHB Units. As crews with combat experience are rotated and replacements come out of the combat crew training schools, it will be necessary to constantly maintain systems of individual training. An experienced nucleus of combat training personnel will be maintained. Emphasis will be placed on lead crew training. Simulated combat missions will be flown in which every detail, from the mission planning on through briefing and the actual flight, will be as close as practicable to actual war operation.

b. In order to maintain efficiency, missions also planned by Air Force or higher echelon should include those at maximum radius of action or else long range movement of units from their home stations to bases at extreme range; for example: Movement of wing in Hawaii to the Philippines, or vice-versa. Upon arrival, combat exercises to be carried on for a prescribed period of time simulating war conditions.

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e. Flights of VHB units to all parts of the world should be set up. This will require international coordination which Washington will have to arrange for us on the basis that the indoctrination and experience gained will be invaluable for a future M-day.

14. B-29 Publicity.

It is apparent that the Navy is very prominent insofar as publicity at the war's end is concerned. To get for the Air Forces comparable current recognition, we should have approval for the return without delay of the flight echelons (288 B-29's) of the 58th and 73rd Wings. As soon as possible after return, these two veteran Wings could be scheduled for mass formation flights over large cities throughout the country.

Kansas and Nebraska bases in all probability could be utilized as staging areas.

15. Regular Commissions.

We need announcement in the immediate future of action for commissioning a number of officers in the regular establishment.

16. D'Olier Committee.

Recommend conferring with Mr. D'Olier as to advisability of a Lieutenant General as member of the board. Navy has a Rear Admiral member.

/s/ BARNEY M. GILES
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army

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Establishment of Experimental All-Weather Airway

AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements — 30 May 45

Chief of the Air Staff — PMT/eva/5265

1. Since there is considerable controversy among various staff agencies of this Headquarters on the advisability of establishing an all-weather airway of the scope envisaged by General Colton's committee, the exact terminal airfields to be used, and the time phasing of the augmentation of such a program, it has been decided to proceed as follows in order that time will not be lost pending the formulation of a coordinated plan:

a. Since it is necessary to have a main development base which can be completely equipped with current equipment and where future experiments can be conducted, the expenditures contemplated for Clinton County Airfield, Ohio, are hereby approved. Personnel and equipment for that airfield will be made available as needed. In the event that an all-weather airway is eventually established, this field will be one terminal of that airway.

b. The implementing directive (Tab B) will be brought up to date and published with a view to appointing the All-Weather Air Force Board to consider first the advisability of the establishment of an all-weather airway. In the event that the Board recommends its establishment, airfields to be used, routes, and other details will be determined by the Board.

c. AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements will notify, AC/AS, Materiel & Services of the decision in a. above and will prepare the necessary implementing papers coordinating with all staff agencies.

Signed

PATRICK W. TIMBERLAKE,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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Establishment of Experimental Airway and Field for Study of Air Navigation.

Chief of Air Staff

28 MAY 1945

AC/AS, Operations, Commitments and Requirements

1. With reference to preceding comment and the questions contained therein the following answers are furnished:

a. Airfield which have standard facilities or for which standard facilities are planned should be used to the maximum practicable extent. Congested airdromes used for training or for other development work however should not be considered.

b. Recommend that Andrews Field be substituted for Fort Dix. This would provide a route terminus necessitating flight over an area of normally poor weather and over mountains. It would also provide for a means of army aircraft getting in and out of the Washington area in event of emergency or military necessity.

c. Expenditures at Clinton County Airfield are necessary as one field should be provided as the main development base where all the experimental equipment can be placed and where any contemplated or future experiments can be conducted. Clinton County Airfield meets the requirements, particularly due to its proximity to Wright Field.

2. It is believed that the proposal to use Bedford should be abandoned due to terrain features in the vicinity of the field which make instrument flying extremely hazardous.

3. Recommend:

a. Andrews Field, Clinton County Airfield and the Municipal Airport at Indianapolis be used for this project.

b. The plan as amended above be approved, the implementing directive brought up to date and published.

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Establishment of Experimental Airway and Field for Study of Air Navigation

AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements — 18 May 1945

Chief of the Air Staff — PWT/eva/5265

1. I would like the following questions answered with regard to this proposal for experimental all-weather airways:

a. Realizing that certain operational facilities--such as navigational aids, radio, and radar installations--are needed for this project, I would like to know why we could not utilize airfields which have the standard facilities--such as runways, taxiways, and hangars--in existence.

b. Understand that Ft. Dix will be saturated by ATC operations in connection with the GREEN Project. What field will be substituted?

c. If Clinton County Airfield is used, why is it necessary to extend taxiways and parking apron at a cost of over $900,000?

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Commanding General, Allied Air Forces
Southwest Pacific Area
A.P.O. 925, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

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Sincerely yours,

Signed

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Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
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MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Forwarding of Proposed T/O & E, Hq & Hq Sq Air Force, Prepared by ETO USSTAF to General Kenney.

1. Attached is proposed letter to General Kenney forwarding the Proposed T/O & E, Hq & Hq Sq Air Force which General Arnold obtained from ETO USSTAF.

2. The study was circulated in the Air Staff and the following comments were made as indicated below:

a. AC/AS, Personnel:

(1) General approval.

(2) Implementation of the proposed organization to full personnel strength would lag somewhat.

b. AC/AS, OC&R:

(1) Top heavy in command set-up. Duplication of effort vis-a-vis Deputy Commanders and Deputy Chiefs of Staff.

(2) Deputy Chief of Staff Operations, Director of Operations and Director of Training should be specified as pilots.

(3) Currently there are being provisionally operated almost as many different organizational type structures as there are Air Forces. This, of course, makes for confusion in that there is no unanimity of nomenclature for application to identical functions. It is contrary to paragraph 13, AR 10-15 which states, "The General Staff at each headquarters is modeled after the organizational pattern of the War Department General Staff". This conventional organization should be followed and operation should be in accordance with FM 101-5.

c. AC/AS, M&S:

Concur in the Proposed T/O & E generally with one exception; i.e., that there should be one (1) Deputy Commander who should also be the Chief of Staff thus overcoming the possibility of a bottleneck.

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d. AC/AS, Plans:

The Headquarters Staff appears to be top heavy. The existence of Deputy Commanders and Deputy Chiefs of Staff suggests a duplication of effort with Chief of Staff, who is in between acting as either a "funnel" or possibly a "bottleneck". Academically speaking, therefore, it appears that either the Deputy Commanders or the Deputy Chiefs of Staff might be eliminated, and the Staff made to resemble more closely a normal Headquarters Organization. However, it should be borne in mind that this organization has been recommended by those in the field who have actually carried out the largest Air Force operations in history. If they find such an organization workable, perhaps we might well consider adapting our academic thoughts to their recommendations. Otherwise, the proposed Headquarters set-up appears to be well-organized and adapted to its role.

3. None of the above comments of the Air Staff have been included in the letter to General Kenney for the reason that this study is forwarded for General Kenney's information only.

4. The classification of the proposed study has been reduced to CONFIDENTIAL inasmuch as the material contained therein is of a nature which requires liberal circulation for coordinated study.

JOE L. LOUTZENHEISER
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Actg Asst Chief of Air Staff, Plans

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Strength Reports.

I. DISCUSSION

1. Reference is made to Memorandum for the Deputy Chief of Staff, subject: "Strength Reports", dated 15 March 1945 submitted by this Headquarters.

2. Contained in the reference memorandum in Paragraph 2 of "RECOMMENDATION", is a proposal to revise the method of providing Troop Basis authorization to the Air Transport Command.

3. Certain problems with respect to the Air Transport Command, which affect the cited recommendation, have arisen which necessitate a study of many phases of Air Transport Command operation. Certain of the recommendations may lead to desirable changes to the cited recommendation. It is therefore felt best, from War Department and Army Air Forces view, to withdraw the cited recommendation and thus prevent changes which may otherwise be required as a result of other Air Transport Command problems.

II. RECOMMENDATION

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That paragraph 2. of "RECOMMENDATION", contained in subject Memorandum for the Deputy Chief of Staff be not acted upon pending further study in this Headquarters.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
PATRICK W. [illegible]
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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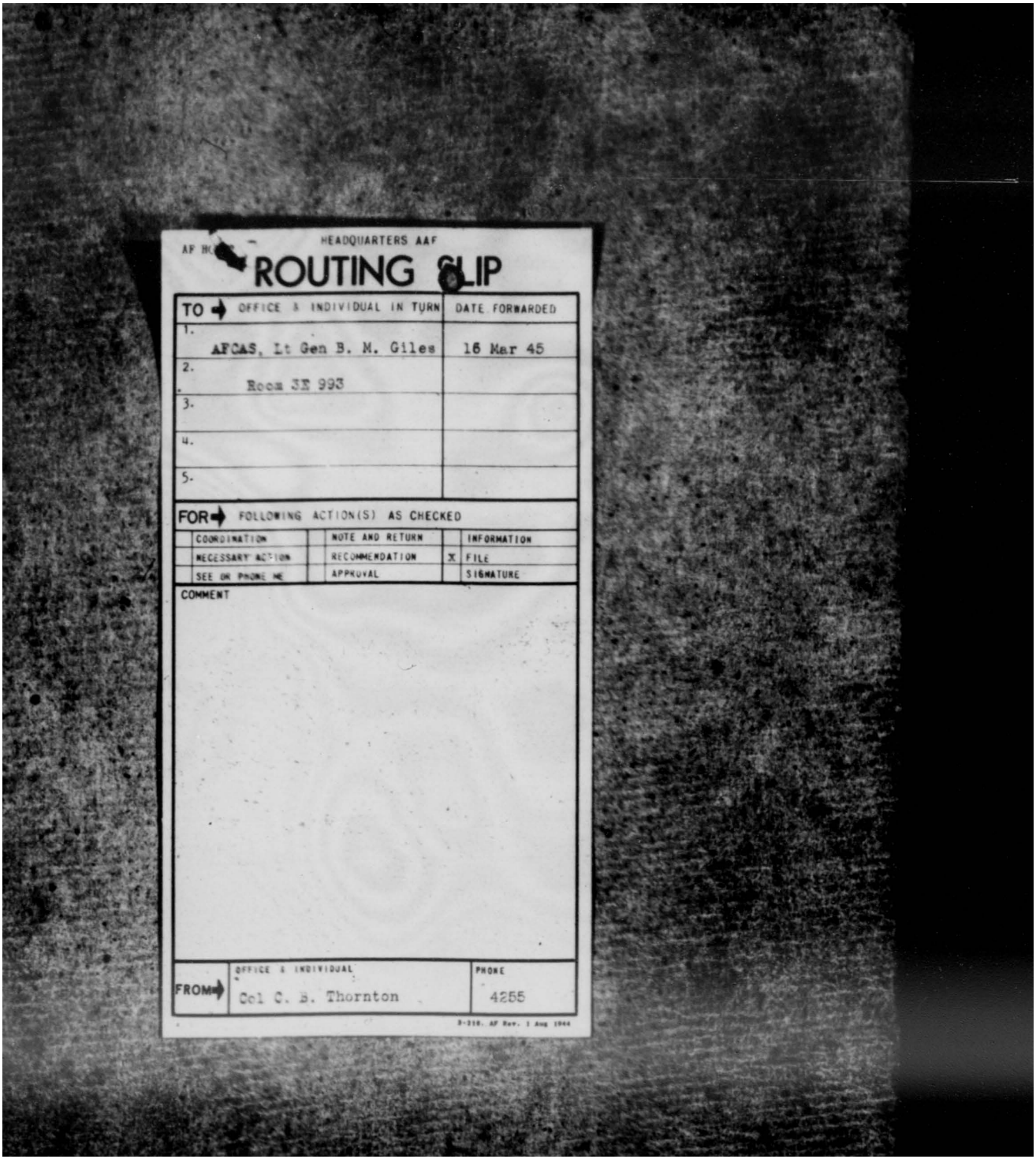

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15 March 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF

SUBJECT: Strength Reports

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DISCUSSION

1. This Headquarters maintains a system for securing and using data regarding the strength by Military Occupational Specialty of AAF personnel. These data are used for control purposes in determining and taking necessary action regarding AAF personnel progress and status as related to its program, including the War Department Troop Basis. For the past year major efforts have been devoted to improving the control aspects of these data (including relating them to a single control document, the Troop Basis) while at the same time avoiding misunderstanding due to apparent differences with other data secured from other sources and for different purposes. In the course of this endeavor the chief recommendations of General McNarney's Ad Hoc Committee have been put into effect in the AAF.

2. Despite this progress certain adjustments are still needed to permit fuller utilization of these control data and to avoid any further misunderstanding. This is partly due to the fact that strength reports on AAF personnel published by the War Dept General Staff and The Adjutant General's Office are not in full agreement. At the same time the totals are not in complete agreement with those arrived at by the AAF personnel control system. Definite action can be taken to eliminate the chief problems, which are:

a. The AAF Section of the War Dept Troop Basis does not contain authorization for all AAF casual personnel (AC and ASWAAF) in transit between the Continental U.S. and overseas theaters. Instead, the authorizations for AAF, AGF, and ASF casual personnel are lumped together in the Miscellaneous Section of the War Dept Troop Basis. This Headquarters must know how many AAF casual personnel are in transit in order to get the overall total AAF strength, but under the present arrangement even that total cannot be properly compared with the Troop Basis. This Headquarters' recommendation on this matter was approved by you on 29 Oct 44, but to date the Troop Basis has not been changed.

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b. The War Dept Troop Basis division of authorized strength between overseas and continental activities does not coincide with the physical location of the personnel assigned to fill those vacancies. For example, personnel authorized for the domestic stations of overseas divisions of Air Transport Command are carried in the deployed part of the War Dept Troop Basis while the personnel are actually located in the Zone of Interior. Any publication showing the assigned strength of such personnel must either show an undesirable dislocation of the strength if the physical location is used or an untrue picture if the Troop Basis is used.

c. "The Strength of the Army" (AG Report No. S-30) does not use the Troop Basis as the Major Command control but instead uses command assignment and physical location. Thus, for example, Anti-Aircraft personnel assigned to the air forces in the continental U. S. are shown as AAF personnel in the reports issued by The Adjutant General, a fact which increases the apparent AAF Zone of Interior strength. The "Strength Reports of the Army" issued by Strength Accounting and Reporting Office, shows these same Anti-Aircraft personnel in the AGF strength.

d. Some variations are occasioned by the fact that in certain overseas theaters personnel data are prepared through two different channels.

RECOMMENDATION

1. Revision of the War Dept Troop Basis in accordance with Staff Study approved by you on 29 Oct 1944. The necessary supporting data for this revision has been submitted to the General Staff by this Headquarters.

2. Revision of the method of providing Troop Basis authorization to the Air Transport Command as follows: - Provide a single Troop Basis authorization for the entire Air Transport Command operation, both continental and overseas, by means of an AG letter. Within this authorization a ceiling figure might be established by the War Dept Manpower Board for all personnel in the Continental United States, including those at the domestic stations of foreign divisions. This ceiling would not constitute the Zone of Interior Troop Basis but would be a ceiling not to be exceeded. Air Transport Command would be permitted to authorize personnel in the Continental United States below this ceiling in order to permit increased overseas authorization, provided that the overall did not exceed the Troop Basis.

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3. A directive be issued that the Troop Basis be used as the control document by all agencies publishing authorized or assigned strength data.

4. Designation of the overseas Air Force Commanders to prepare all AAF strength reports for the theater Commander, the War Department and Hq Army Air Forces.

/s/ Barney M. Giles

BARNEY M. GILES
Lieutenant General, United States Army
Deputy Commander, Army Air Forces and
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COMMENT

It appears that Revision of the T.O. Troop Basis may be a point of discussion at the meeting of the General Council tomorrow and the annexed is submitted for the information of General Owens.

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FROM → OFFICE & ANDREW TEN EYCK
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
Asst. Secretary of Air Staff

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10 MAR 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR STAFF: (Attn: Lt. Col. Ten Eyck)

SUBJECT: Revision of War Department Troop Basis.

1. This memorandum is for the information of the Air Staff representative who will attend the next meeting of the General Council.

2. On 6 March 1945 without prior warning, Headquarters, AAF received notification of a change to the War Department Troop Basis initiated by the G-3 Division, War Department General Staff on 5 March 1945, the effect of which is to transfer from the AAF section to the Miscellaneous section of the War Department Troop Basis, authorization for 9900 rotational personnel. Similar transfers were made from the AGF and ASF sections to the Miscellaneous section. By later informal conference with G-3, WDGS representatives, it has been learned that:

a. The above actions are a part of a plan by which all AAF, AGF and ASF casual personnel in the "pipeline" between the continental U. S. and overseas theaters, both outgoing and returning, will be reported and regarded as War Department strength, and will not be chargeable against authorizations made to the three principal commands.

b. Exact categories involved have not been defined. However, it is understood generally that an individual will be considered to be in the "pipeline" from the time his assignment to a unit in the U. S. or overseas is terminated until the time he is assigned to another unit on the other side.

c. The plan reflected by the troop basis change is effective 28 February 1945 and is therefore retroactive.

d. There is a possibility that G-3 will order further reduction of the AAF Troop Basis as a means of fully implementing the plan.

3. The exact effect of the plan with respect to the AAF has not yet been determined. Preliminary study indicates that as a result, the strength position of the AAF will probably be less vulnerable to criticism.

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Memo for the Secretary of the Air Staff
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5. With respect to any discussion which may arise at the meeting of the General Council, the following recommendations are submitted:

a. Discussion should not be initiated by the Air Staff representative.

b. If requested, AAF comment should be limited to the statement that the plan is at variance with Tab A, and also that its retroactive effect has caused some difficulties; however, that detailed expression of opinion must await the completion of studies now being made.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Strength Reports.

Reference is made to paragraph II of attached Army Air Forces memorandum for the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 18 October 1944, subject as above.

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4. The War Department Troop Basis will be revamped to delete casual personnel in transit between continental jurisdictions and overseas theaters from the Miscellaneous Section and subdivide same between the Army Air Forces, and Army Ground and Service Forces.

THOS. T. HANDY,
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Strength Reports.

I. Discussion

1. Reference is made to statements pertaining to Army Air Forces strength and deployment in Minutes of General Council, dated 25 September 1944, and also to subsequent meetings called by the Deputy Chief of Staff and the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff to discuss strength reports during which it was directed that representatives of Strength Accounting and Reporting Office and the Army Air Forces reconcile strength reports and reporting procedure utilized by the two agencies.

2. At the initial meeting, held on 30 September 1944 between representatives of Strength Accounting and Reporting Office and of Statistical Control Division, Army Air Forces, a paper was prepared for submission by SARO to the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff. It is believed that this paper clarifies the interpretations of the AAF strength report issued by the Strength Accounting and Reporting Office.

3. In an effort to prevent recurrence of these misunderstandings, a second meeting was held between these same offices on 5 October 1944 to examine operating procedures used in compiling strength reports. As a result of this meeting, the AAF believes that complete reconciliation between SARO reports and AAF reports depends on the following War Department actions which the AAF recommends be taken:

a. That the War Department designate officially which one of its planning documents (i.e. G-3 Troop Basis, G-4 Troop Basis for Supply or OPD Troop Deployment) it desires the AAF to use for its basic control and that it then take the action recommended below to make that document one which can be used by the AAF as a timely measure of its progress in operations, training and deployment.

(1) It is believed that the G-3 Troop Basis at present most nearly approximates such a document.

b. That the War Department G-3 Troop Basis and the OPD Troop Deployment be brought into exact agreement.

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c. That the War Department G-3 Troop Basis be amplified to show monthly totals rather than semi-annual totals and also be amplified to show deployment totals by OPD theater.

(1) This recommendation is made in order that the War Department and the Army Air Forces may have a standard control document against which monthly strength reports may be measured. At present the AAF compares its current assigned strength against its current G-3 authorization as reflected in the AAF Troop Basis. SARO compares AAF present assigned strength against future deployment as reflected by OPD troop deployment because the latter is placed on a quarterly basis.

d. That the War Department G-3 Troop Basis authorization for casual personnel in transit between continental jurisdictions and overseas theaters, (i.e. casual personnel at staging areas, en route to or at water ports of embarkation, en route by water, at ports of debarkation, and en route to or at replacement depots overseas) be deleted from the Miscellaneous Section of the War Department G-3 Troop Basis and subdivided among the Air Forces, the Ground Forces, and the Service Forces.

(1) This recommendation is made in order that the considerable and unpredictable variations in the strength of Air Force type personnel, which now occur because of variations in the number of personnel in transit, will be eliminated. It is believed that these variations may become so great with the advent of redeployment that the value of reports which follow the current War Department G-3 Troop Basis arrangment will be seriously impaired.

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II. Action recommended

The Secretary of War directs that the following action be taken in order to effect a complete reconciliation between reports issued by the AAF and reports issued by Strength Accounting and Reporting Office:

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR STAFF: (Attn: Lt. Col. Tom Ryak)

SUBJECT: Revision of War Department Troop Basis.

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#2 Memo for DC/S, same subj: dtd 14 Oct 44. (TAB B)

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Lt. General, U. S. Army
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Reduction in Troop Basis

In compliance with verbal request of the Supply Division, G-4, War Department General Staff (Lt. Col. M. H. Clark) and OPD, War Department General Staff (Lt Col P. J. Long) the attached memorandum is submitted without action.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Signed

JOSEPH J. LADD
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Troop Basis Division
Asst. Chief of Air Staff
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Supply Division G-4
WASHINGTON, D. C.

23 February 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

SUBJECT: Reduction in Troop Basis

1. This memorandum confirms conversation between the Supply Division, G-4, War Department General Staff (Lt.Colonel M. H. Clark) and the Army Air Forces (Lt. Colonel C. R. Poole) on this date.

2. Reference is made to the 1 January 1945 issue of the War Department Troop Deployment. There are units for which a reduction is shown between Column C and Column E; other units of a similar nature show an increase between Column C and Column E. One example is Heavy Bomb Groups and Very Heavy Bomb Groups.

3. It is known that some of these changes are the result of conversions from one type of unit to another and have no connection with redeployment. Other changes, generally decreases, are the result of redeployment and indicate the difference in units required for a two-front war as compared to the requirements for a one-front war.

4. The Equipment Reserve is prescribed as a basis for procurement in addition to other bases. This Equipment Reserve, shown as quantities of units, is intended to represent the units required for a two-front war which are not required for a one-front war. In the preparation of a list of units to represent the Equipment Reserve, it is necessary to know the different changes in Troop Basis that occur between Column C and Column E in the War Department Troop Deployment which are the result of redeployment only.

5. It is desired that information be furnished the Supply Division, G-4, by 27 February 1945, showing a list of units in the War Department Troop Deployment order which will approximate those units required for a two-front war which are not required for a one front war.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

/s/ J. G. SHINKLE
Colonel, GSC
Chief, Program Branch

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Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF Proving Ground Command.

AG/AS, Personnel.

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff. 1

1. The following recommendations submitted by The Air Inspector in connection with subject survey are matters pertaining to your office:

a. That: "AG/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, refrain, except in case of emergency, from any further reduction of enlisted strength in AAF Proving Ground Command as long as the assigned strength is below that authorized."

b. That: "AG/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, take all practical action to decrease the present shortage of enlisted aircraft maintenance personnel within AAF Proving Ground Command."

2. It is desired that necessary action be taken relative to the preceding recommendations.

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31 January 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL H. H. ARNOLD:

SUBJECT: SURVEY OF PERSONNEL SITUATION --
AAF PROVING GROUND COMMAND;
AAF TACTICAL CENTER;
AAF WEATHER WING (XI); AND
AAF ARMY AIRWAYS COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (XI).

1. Pursuant to letter, no file number, Headquarters AAF, Subject: "Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF," 28 October 1944 (Tab "A"), the following information concerning the personnel situation in the above Commands is submitted:

a. The actual strength of commissioned personnel was in excess of personnel authorizations on 31 December 1944 as follows:

(1) AAF Proving Ground Command: 87.

(2) AAF Tactical Center: 111.

(3) AAF Weather Wing (XI): 310.

(4) AAF Army Airways Communications System (XI): 289.

b. The actual strength of enlisted personnel was in excess of personnel authorizations on 31 December 1944 as follows:

(1) AAF Tactical Center: 276.

(2) AAF Weather Wing (XI): 814.

(3) AAF Army Airways Communications System (XI): 1,981.

c. The AAF Proving Ground Command was 206 enlisted personnel short of personnel authorizations on 31 December 1944.

d. Personnel authorizations as compared to actual requirements were adequate for all except Army Airways Communications System. A new table of distribution is being prepared by this activity for review by Manpower Division, Management Control, this Headquarters, in order that authorizations may be consistent with requirements.

e. Surplus personnel is being absorbed as follows:

(1) AAF Tactical Center -- through transfers initiated by AC/AS, Personnel.

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(2) AAF Weather Wing and Army Airways Communications System -- by transfers to foreign installations.

f. The AAF Proving Ground Command had a shortage of 53 airplane and engine mechanics and 107 airplane maintenance technicians as compared to authorizations on 31 December 1944.

g. The reports covering these four Commands indicate that no problems concerning the assignment and utilization of returnee personnel were found.

2. Detailed reports are attached as Tabs "B", "C", "D", and "E".

3. Recommendations. It is recommended that:

a. AC/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, refrain, except in case of emergency, from any further reduction of enlisted strength in AAF Proving Ground Command as long as the assigned strength is below that authorized.

b. AC/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, take all practical action to decrease the present shortage of enlisted aircraft maintenance personnel within AAF Proving Ground Command.

c. The attached RAR (Tab "F"), implementing the recommendations contained in paragraphs a. and b. preceding, be forwarded to AC/AS, Personnel.

MAX F. SCHNEIDER
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy, The Air Inspector

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#3-Tab"C": Detailed Rpt, AAF Tactical Center, 31Jan45.
#4-Tab"D": Detailed Rpt, AAF Weather Wing (ZI), 31Jan45.
#5-Tab"E": Detailed Rpt, AAF AACS (ZI), 31Jan45.
#6-RAR "Survey of Pers Situation, AAF Proving Ground Comd" (Tab"F")

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Headquarters, Army Air Forces
Washington

28 October 1944

SUBJECT: Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF.

TO: The Air Inspector, Headquarters AAF, Washington 25, D. C.

1. It is requested that The Air Inspector conduct a survey of the personnel situation of the AAF within continental United States for the purpose of determining and reporting upon:

a. Actual strength of military personnel as compared to Manning Tables, Tables of Organization, and other personnel authorizations by air forces and commands.

b. Actual requirements as compared to actual authorization and actual strength by air forces and commands.

c. From a and b, numbers of excess personnel by those categories reported on the Statistical Report No. 52-75-135 by air forces and commands.

d. Existing plans for absorption of c.

e. Personnel, if any, by categories mentioned in c that can be released.

f. Personnel reported under e qualified for overseas duty.

2. During the course of the survey outlined in par. 1 above, inquiry will also be made into the processing, assignment, and utilization of personnel returned from overseas.

3. The Air Inspector is authorized to call on staff agencies of this Headquarters and commanders of continental air forces and commands for such information and assistance as will expedite the conduct of this survey.

By command of General ARNOLD:

RAY L. [illegible]
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

31 January 1945

SUBJECT: Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF Proving Ground Command.

TO: The Air Inspector
Headquarters Army Air Forces
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in letter, Headquarters Army Air Forces, 28 October 1944, Subject: "Survey of Personnel Situation A/F," Lt. Colonel Carl J. Stumpf, I.G.D., and Major George Murchison, AC, of the Office of The Field Air Inspector, Headquarters Army Air Forces, Tampa, Florida, conducted a survey of the personnel situation of the AAF Proving Ground Command during the period 2 - 8 January 1945.

2. a. Actual strength of all permanent party military personnel (bulk allotment and Z.I. T/O Units) as compared to authorizations on 31 December 1944, was as follows:

	Auth.	Asgnd.	Excess	Short
White Officers	824*	851*	27	--
White Enlisted	7,126	6,941	--	185
Colored Enlisted	500	480	--	20
	8,450	8,272	27	205

* Includes Warrant Officers and Nurses.

b. Actual strength of enlisted aircraft maintenance specialists was approximately nine per cent below the 2,088 authorized on 31 December 1944. Included in this was a shortage of 53 airplane and engine mechanics and 107 airplane maintenance technicians for an overall shortage of approximately 12 per cent of the 1,314 authorized in these two specialties.

3. Actual requirements fluctuate according to changes in the number of projects and tests. As requirements change, the Command submits requests to this Headquarters for new authorizations. At the time of the survey, a request for an increase in authorizations was being submitted because of two new projects. This request will be reviewed by Manpower Division, Management Control, this Headquarters.

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4. It was reported that returnee personnel were being employed to the fullest extent of their capabilities consistent with the requirements of the Command.

5. From the foregoing it is concluded:

a. As to assigned permanent party military personnel on 31 December 1944, the AAF Proving Ground Command was 27 commissioned officers in excess and 205 enlisted personnel short of authorizations.

b. As to actual requirements as compared to authorizations, authorizations are being kept in line with requirements.

c. There was a shortage of approximately 12 per cent of authorized airplane and engine mechanics (SSN 747) and airplane maintenance technicians (SSN 750) on 31 December 1944.

d. The survey disclosed no problems in connection with returnee personnel.

6. Recommendation. It is recommended that:

a. AC/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, refrain, except in case of emergency, from any further reduction of enlisted strength in AAF Proving Ground Command as long as the assigned strength is below that authorized.

b. AC/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, take all practical action to decrease the present shortage of enlisted aircraft maintenance personnel within AAF Proving Ground Command.

W. T. Walter

W. T. WELTER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

31 January 1945

SUBJECT: Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF Tactical Center.

TO: The Air Inspector
Headquarters Army Air Forces
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in letter, Headquarters Army Air Forces, 28 October 1944, Subject: "Survey of Personnel Situation AAF," Lt. Colonel Carl J. Stumpf, I.G.D., and Major George Murchison, AC, of the Office of the Field Air Inspector, Headquarters Army Air Forces, Tampa, Florida, conducted a survey of the personnel situation of the AAF Tactical Center, during the period 2 - 8 January 1945.

2. a. Actual strength of all permanent party military personnel (bulk allotment, Z.I. T/O Units, and all other individuals) as compared to authorizations on 31 December 1944 was as follows:

	Auth.	Asgnd.	Excess	Short
White Officers	1,286*	1,397*	111	—
White Enlisted	6,887	6,820	—	67
Colored Enlisted	900	1,243	343	—
	9,073	9,460	454	67

* Includes Flight Officers, Warrant Officers, and Nurses.

b. Since that date 150 colored enlisted personnel have been transferred from AAF Tactical Center which has reduced total assigned enlisted personnel to 126 in excess of authorizations.

3. Authorizations as compared to requirements are adequate but not excessive.

4. The slight excess of personnel is counter-balanced by the number in training for needed occupational specialties. Therefore, there is no surplus to be absorbed.

5. No problems in connection with returnee personnel were reported.

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6. Recommendation. In view of the preceding conditions, no action is recommended at this time.

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W. T. KELTER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

31 January 1945

SUBJECT: Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF Weather Wing (ZI)

TO : The Air Inspector
Headquarters, Army Air Forces
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in letter, Headquarters Army Air Forces, subject: "Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF," 28 October 1944, Lt. Colonel Carl J. Stumpf, IGD, and Major George Murchison, AC, conducted a survey of the personnel situation of the AAF Weather Wing (ZI) during the period 9-16 January 1945.

2. Actual strength of permanent party bulk allotment personnel in ZI was 310 commissioned officers and 814 enlisted personnel in excess of authorizations on 31 December 1944.

3. Authorizations are adequate but not excessive as compared with actual requirements.

4. Personnel in excess of authorizations are specialists required in foreign theaters and are being shipped to fill these requirements.

5. No problem relative to returnee personnel was reported.

6. Recommendation. In view of the above conditions, no action is recommended at this time.

W. T. Welter

W. T. WELTER
Lt. Colonel, AC

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

31 January 1945

SUBJECT: Survey of Personnel Situation, Army Airways Communications System (ZI)

TO : The Air Inspector
Headquarters, Army Air Forces
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in letter, Headquarters Army Air Forces, subject: "Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF," 28 October 1944, Lt. Colonel Carl J. Stumpf, ICD, and Major George Murchison, AC, conducted a survey of the personnel situation of the Army Airways Communications System (ZI) during the period 9-16 January 1945.

2. Actual strength of bulk allotment personnel was 258 commissioned and 1,881 enlisted personnel in excess of authorizations on 31 December 1944.

3. Authorizations for December 1944 were not considered adequate for requirements and a new table of distribution is being submitted to Headquarters AAF for approval.

4. Personnel excess to authorizations and requirements are being transferred to fill shortages in foreign installations of Army Airways Communications System.

5. No problem relative to utilization and assignment of returnee personnel was reported.

6. Recommendation. In view of the action indicated in preceding paragraphs, no further action is recommended at this time.

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Lt. Colonel, AC

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Survey of Personnel Situation -- AAF Proving Ground Command; AAF Tactical Center; AAF Weather Wing (ZI); and AAF Army Airways Communications System (ZI).

The Air Inspector

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Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, General Owens

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The recommendations contained in Section 3 of the attached memorandum are approved and the proposed WAR for their implementation has been signed and forwarded to AC/AS, Personnel.

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Signed

RAY L. OWENS,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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27 JAN 1945

SUBJECT: Requirements for Military Personnel in Bulk Allotment Units.

TO: Director
Air Technical Service Command
Patterson Field, Ohio

1. A report on the personnel situation of your command submitted by The Air Inspector, this Headquarters, 25 January 1945, indicates that Manpower Division, your Headquarters, recently conducted a survey for the purpose of determining the actual military personnel requirements for bulk allotment units of Air Technical Service Command.

2. The "ATSC Work Load Report" as of 30 November 1944 covers the total personnel requirements, military and civilian, for the work to be accomplished but does not indicate what amount of this personnel must be military.

3. The limited amount of military personnel, in number and military occupational specialties, available for ZI establishments necessitates careful consideration of actual military personnel requirements. It is desired that as a result of the recent study made by Manpower Division, your Headquarters, an analysis by installations of actual military requirements be submitted to this Headquarters at the earliest possible date.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL ARNOLD:

Signed

RAY L. OWENS,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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25 January 1945

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL H. H. ARNOLD:

SUBJECT: SURVEY OF PERSONNEL SITUATION, AIR TECHNICAL SERVICE COMMAND.

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in letter, no file number, Headquarters AAF, Subject: "Survey of Personnel situation, AAF," 28 October 1944 (Tab "A"), the following information concerning the Air Technical Service Command is submitted:

a. The actual strength of military personnel assigned to bulk allotment units was 5,976 enlisted personnel in excess of 35,892 authorized on 30 November 1944; and 6,933 enlisted personnel in excess of 33,696 authorized on 31 December 1944. Assigned commissioned personnel was close to authorizations.

b. Authorizations in excess of actual requirements for bulk allotment units could not be determined since the command had determined its total personnel requirements (military and civilian), but had not determined its actual military requirements. Since the start of this survey the command has analyzed its work load and is now determining its actual military requirements.

c. In view of the lack of information as to actual military requirements, it would be unsound to report on the number of military personnel that can be released from bulk allotment units.

d. There is no problem relative to the processing, assignment, and utilization of returnee personnel for which corrective action has not been initiated by Headquarters Army Air Forces.

2. Tab "B" is a detailed report.

3. Recommendations.

a. That the Air Technical Service Command determine its actual military requirements for permanent party personnel and that these requirements be submitted to this Headquarters at the earliest practicable date.

b. That the attached letter (Tab "C"), implementing the recommendation contained in paragraph a preceding, be forwarded to the Air Technical Service Command.

Signed
MAX F. SCHNEIDER
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy, The Air Inspector

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

AFTAI (3A)

28 October 1944

SUBJECT: Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF.

TO : The Air Inspector, Headquarters AAF, Washington 25, D. C.

1. It is requested that The Air Inspector conduct a survey of the personnel situation of the AAF within continental United States for the purpose of determining and reporting upon:

a. Actual strength of military personnel as compared to Manning Tables, Tables of Organization, and other personnel authorizations by air forces and commands.

b. Actual requirements as compared to actual authorization and actual strength by air forces and commands.

c. From a and b, numbers of excess personnel by those categories reported on AAF Statistical Report No. SC-PS-133 by air forces and commands.

d. Existing plans for absorption of c.

e. Personnel, if any, by categories mentioned in c that can be released.

f. Personnel reported under e qualified for overseas duty.

2. During the course of the survey outlined in par. 1 above, inquiry will also be made into the processing, assignment, and utilization of personnel returned from overseas.

3. The Air Inspector is authorized to call on staff agencies of this Headquarters and commanders of continental air forces and commands for such information and assistance as will expedite the conduct of this survey.

By command of General ARNOLD:

/s/ Ray L. Owens

RAY L. OWENS
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

25 January 1945

SUBJECT: Survey of Personnel Situation, Air Technical Service Command.

TO: The Air Inspector
Headquarters Army Air Forces
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in letter, no file number, Headquarters AAF, Subject: "Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF", 28 October 1944, to The Air Inspector, Headquarters AAF, Washington 25, D. C., Colonel Charles H. Kruse, O113113, AC, The Field Air Inspector, Field Office of The Air Inspector, Headquarters AAF, Indianapolis, Indiana, together with other Field Air Inspectors of that office, conducted a survey of the personnel situation of the AAF Air Technical Service Command during the period 26 November - 11 December 1944. Teams of Field Air Inspectors made a field survey of the following Air Technical Service Command installations; San Antonio, Warner Robins, Pacific Overseas, Oklahoma City, Middletown, San Bernardino, Mobile, Sacramento, and Rome Air Technical Service Commands; Western, Central, Eastern, South-Eastern, Mid-Central, and Mid-Western Air Technical Service Command Districts; and Air Service Command Training Center, Fresno, California, 4504th AAF Base Unit (Service Group Special); and 73rd Service Group Special, Pratt Army Air Field, Pratt, Kansas; 4503rd AAF Base Unit (Service Group Special), Great Bend Army Air Field, Kansas; 4144th AAF Base Unit (Flight Test), Muroc Flight Test Base, Muroc, California.

2. The actual strength of commissioned military personnel in bulk allotment units was close to authorizations on 30 November 1944. At that time, the Command was 5,976 enlisted personnel in excess of its bulk allotment authorization of 35,892. This 16.7 per cent excess resulted in an examination of the AAF Form 127 report for 31 December 1944. As of that date, the strength of commissioned personnel was again close to authorizations, but enlisted strength exceeded the bulk allotment authorization of 33,696 by 6,933 or 20.5 per cent.

3. A comparison of actual requirements with authorizations for military personnel in permanent party bulk allotment units was not made because of the following:

a. The Field Air Inspector reported that it was not possible to check authorizations against ATSC stated requirements for military personnel because requirements had been computed on the bases of combined civilian and military personnel without adequate consideration of actual military requirements as distinguished from civilian requirements.

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b. Since that time, manpower teams of the command and representatives from Management Control, Manpower Division, this Headquarters, have visited the installations of ATSC and analyzed the work loads.

c. This month the ATSC published its "Work Load Report" for November 1944. This report shows the requirements for all personnel, military and civilian, based upon the work load of November 1944. In addition, it shows the past and the projected known work loads in order to determine total personnel requirements. It is concluded that these requirements are reasonable. Manpower Division, Management Control, this Headquarters, has accepted these requirements as far as total personnel is concerned.

d. Since total requirements have been computed, the task remaining is that of determining how much of the total must be military personnel and what occupational specialties are required for the separate installations and for the command as a whole.

4. Because military requirements for bulk allotment personnel have not been established, no report can be made as to excess permanent party personnel that can be released.

5. There is no problem relative to the processing, assignment, and utilization of returnee personnel for which corrective action has not been initiated by Headquarters Army Air Forces.

6. Recommendation. That the Air Technical Service Command determine its actual military requirements for permanent party personnel and that these requirements be submitted to Management Control, this Headquarters, at the earliest practicable date.

W. T. Welter

W. T. WELTER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps

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Promotions to General Officer Grades

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel 14 Feb 45
Attention: Brig. Gen. McCormick

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Deputy Chief of Air Staff, General Owens JRB/mkm/72141

With reference to your memorandum, dated 12 February 1945 attached, in view of the memorandum to the Chief of Staff, 8 February 1945, requesting that the quota for recommendations for promotions of Army Air Forces officers to General Officer grades be increased from five to eight, there is no necessity for preparing another staff study on this subject at the present time.

Signed

RAY L. OWENS,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF Personnel Distribution Command

The Air Inspector 30 Jan 45

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, General Owens

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The recommendation contained in paragraph #4, Comment #2 is approved.

Signed
RAY L. OWENS,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF Personnel Distribution Command

The Air Inspector

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Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, General Owens

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1. Approval is indicated for General Arnold on the recommendations contained in paragraph 8.

2. Returned for necessary action and the implementation of the recommendations.

Signed
RAY L. OWENS
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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Survey of Personnel Situation - Second, Third, and Fourth Air Forces

The Air Inspector 31 Jan 45

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, General Owens

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General Owens has signed the directives to AC/AS, Personnel and Management Control attached with your Comment #2 under date of 29 January.

Signed

J. R. BREWER,
Lt.,
Executive, Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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Aircraft Maintenance Personnel, Fourth Air Force.

Management Control.

Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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1. The report covering the recent survey of the personnel situation in the Fourth Air Force by The Air Inspector, this Headquarters, contained a recommendation that:

"Manpower Division, Management Control, Headquarters AAF, give serious consideration to increasing the percentage of maintenance personnel contained in the bulk allotment to the Fourth Air Force by a figure which will make the authorized maintenance personnel of that air force more nearly comparable to that of other continental air forces, and a reduction by an equal number of administrative and housekeeping personnel."

2. It is desired that the personnel authorizations referred to in the preceding recommendation be reviewed by Manpower Division, your office.

Signed
RAY L. OWENS,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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Survey of Personnel Situation - Second, Third, and Fourth Air Forces.

AC/AS, Personnel

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Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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1. The following recommendations submitted by The Air Inspector in connection with subject survey are matters pertaining to your office:

a. "The Second, Third, and Fourth Air Forces take all possible action to properly dispose of all officers not considered suitable for further active military duty."

b. "The Second, Third, and Fourth Air Forces vigorously prosecute and supervise on-the-job training within their commands in order to correct insofar as possible the current lack of balance between available personnel and requirements and to prevent re-training of personnel into categories not needed in the AAF."

c. "The Second Air Force make every practicable effort to insure an equitable distribution of available personnel between the bases of its command."

d. "AC/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, take such action as is practicable to dispose of excess commissioned personnel set forth in paragraph 1a above."

e. "That in view of the current shortage of enlisted personnel in the Fourth Air Force, AC/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, refrain, except in case of emergency, from reducing the enlisted strength of that air force below its present level."

f. "AC/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, take all practicable action to decrease the present shortage of aircraft maintenance personnel in these three air forces."

2. It is desired that necessary action be taken relative to the preceding recommendations.

Signed

RAY L. OWENS,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
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Survey of Personnel Situation - Second, Third, and Fourth Air Forces

The Air Inspector

14 Jan 45

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, General Owens

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MID/ee/5246

1. Recommendations of your office in memorandum to General Arnold dated 7 January 1945 are approved.

2. Noted General Arnold's attached penciled note.

3. Please prepare necessary action directives to implement your approved recommendations.

RAY L. OWENS
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF Training Command

The Air Inspector

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Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, General Owens

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1. The recommendation contained in paragraph 2, Comment #2 is approved.

2. The directives prepared to implement the recommendations relating to proper utilization of military occupational specialties and the preparation of exact manning tables have been signed and dispatched.

Signed

FAY L. OWENS,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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Exact Manning Tables, AAF Training Command.

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Management Control.

Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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WDW/wjk 74368

1. During the recent personnel survey of AAF Training Command by The Air Inspector, this Headquarters, it was noted that the Western Flying Training Command was the only one of the subordinate commands which had Exact Manning Tables for all of its activities, as required by par. 4a, AAF Regulation 37-2, 18 December 1943.

2. It is desired that you prepare the necessary directive to AAF Training Command to expedite the preparation of Exact Manning Tables for all of its activities in accordance with the provisions of AAF Regulation 37-2, 18 December 1943.

Signed

RAY L. OWENS,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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Proper Utilization of Military Occupational Specialists.

AC/AS, Personnel

Deputy Chief of Air Staff.

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1. During the recent personnel survey of the AAF Training Command by The Air Inspector, this Headquarters, it was noted that an excessive number of military occupational specialists in critically short categories were performing duties not related to their specialties. In some instances personnel were being trained from critically short categories into critically surplus categories.

2. Letter, this Headquarters, subject: "Analysis of Airplane Maintenance Technicians," 8 December 1944, to Commanding General, AAF Training Command, prepared in your office, indicates action to correct conditions cited in the preceding paragraph relative to maintenance specialists.

3. It is desired that you vigorously prosecute your program to insure proper utilization of military occupational specialists by AAF Training Command, particularly in critically short categories.

Signed

RAY L. OWENS,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF Training Command

The Air Inspector 14 Jan 45

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, General Owens RLO/ee/72141 1

1. Note General Arnold's approval of recommendations of your office on your memorandum to him dated 6 January, subject, "Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF Training Command." Also note his attached penciled memorandum to the undersigned.

2. Please prepare necessary action directives to implement your approved recommendations and General Arnold's directive.

RAY L. OWENS
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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1. Noted.

2. The recommendations contained in Comment #2 is approved.

Signed
RAY L. OWENS
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF

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14 Jan 45

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1. Your memorandum to General Arnold of 29 December 1944 covering your survey of the Personnel Situation of the Air Transport Command was forwarded to AC/AS, Personnel and Management Control by General Giles for comment (see attached).

2. In view of the attached comments of Generals Gates and McCormick, do you desire to make any changes in your original recommendations on attached letter to CG, ATC before report is returned to General Giles?

Signed

RAY L. OWENS
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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Memo to Genl Owens fr Gen'l Arnold (added)
Note to Gen'ls Gates&McCormick fr Gen. Giles (added)

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TO: Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Plans (Post-War Div.) (Colonel Moffat)

Date: 3 Jan 45

FROM: Chief of Air Staff

Comment No. 2
WDC:JB 5791

1. Referred as a matter pertaining to your office.

2. AAF Letter (C)20-8, referred to in par. 1 of basic communication, was published in accordance with recommendation contained in R&R comment #2 from ACAS Plans dated 28 Nov 44 to the Chief of Air Staff.

Signed

T. A. FITZPATRICK,
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Secretary, Air Staff.

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POSTWAR AIR FORCE

Secretary of Air Staff

2 Jan 1945

Management Control, Administrative Services Division,
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Forwarded for your information and comment.

for DUDLEY H. FAY
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Administrative Services Div.

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL GILES:

Subject: Production of Combat Crews.

I. Discussion

1. In order to provide background for an explanation or discussion to air force commanders, should the question arise concerning combat crew production policies, the following facts are submitted:

a. It has been the policy of the Headquarters, Army Air Forces to produce crews in sufficient quantities to provide the normal replacement flow as established by staff planning factors and, in addition, to state requirements for production of sufficient crews to make up deficiencies, and in the case of fighter crews to provide an operating excess. Savings in attrition in the last few months have caused excesses to occur more promptly than anticipated.

b. The result now is that many theaters are reaching the point of being over in combat crew strength. Those theaters not over in crew strength will be over shortly as a result of shipments now planned. The War Department is critical of these overages and OPD is refusing to give high priority to shipment of crews, and even in the case of the Southwest Pacific area which is indicating a slight shortage in heavy bombardment crews, the Southwest Pacific Theater will not increase the shipping priority for these crews destined for them. Air force commanders are apparently unwilling to rotate crews to remove surpluses because of the effect on the experience level of crews on hand. This will become more noticeable during the decreased operations of the winter months.

c. Planners in AC/AS, OC&R have desired to have these surpluses in being in the theaters primarily to handle expected higher levels of operations during the coming spring months. Since the replacement flows set up for 1945 are not as high as those of 1944, it is believed that such surplus with the flow now provided will enable this Headquarters to keep all theaters at required inventory levels through the campaigns of next spring.

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d. The attitude of OPD, plus the recent MTO request for reduction in flow of heavy bombardment crews has temporarily led to the overcrowding of staging areas and backing up of crews into the air forces. Therefore, it is expected that the air force commanders now in conference in Washington may complain to you concerning this matter.

e. The Commitments Division, AC/AS, OCAR is well aware of the above facts and will do everything possible to relieve any congestion in the staging areas as rapidly as transportation becomes available.

f. The current situation has made it possible to extend the training in the Fourth Air Force of B-24 crews from three to four months, thereby giving a corresponding reduction in the output of crews, and at the same time attaining a long desired improvement in quality of heavy bombardment crews which will be a considerable help to the theaters fighting the Japanese.

II. Action Recommended

It is recommended that the present program of production of crews be maintained and, should the occasion arise, that the air force commanders be informed that it is not the intent of this Headquarters to place a hardship upon them, that we are watching the [redacted] situation and will endeavor to prevent a hardship concerning the housing of additional crews at staging areas and training activities, and that we cannot allow ourselves to be placed in the untenable position of shortage of crews to the point that rotation of war weary personnel would be impossible.

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27 November 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Information Requested by General Marshall

1. The following information was requested by General Marshall's memorandum.

2. Figures are based on a two front war until June 1945 and a one front war thereafter.

3. Number of pilots going to the European Theatre of Operations. (Item 1 of General Marshall's memorandum.)

Nov 44	Dec	Jan 45	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
2679	2496	2815	2513	2371	1997	2038	226

Does not include casual shipments of pilots not members of combat crews.

4. Number of bomber crews going to the European Theatre of Operations (Item 2 of General Marshall's memorandum).

Nov 44	Dec	Jan 45	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
951	800	940	802	854	670	691	-

5. Number of pilots in training in the United States and the number completing training (Item 3 of General Marshall's memorandum).

a. Pilots in Training.

	Nov 44	Dec	Jan 45	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Trng Comd	31309	26373	27348	22458	18531	16100	17180	18373
Trng Air Forces	18810	17327	16504	15880	15266	14798	14312	14013
	50119	43700	43852	38338	33797	30898	31492	32386

Does not include foreign students. Does not include pilots en route to air forces for training, undergoing processing prior to entering training,

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in staging areas for overseas movement, at or en route to departure points. Includes flying cadets.

b. Pilots Completing Training.

	Nov 44	Dec	Jan 45	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Trng Comd	5387	5765	170	4998	4654	3305	1738	1222
Trng Air Forces	5010	5177	5268	4809	5152	4192	4211	4760

6. The number of crews in training in the United States and the number completing training (Item 4 of General Marshall's memorandum).

a. Number in Training.

Nov 44	Dec	Jan 45	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
12721	11501	10892	10442	10106	9818	9555	9394

b. Number Completing Training.

Nov 44	Dec	Jan 45	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
3049	3209	3300	3002	3172	2625	2665	2956

7. At the verbal request of Lt Col H. M. Pasco, Assistant Secretary, General Staff, the following is included:

Aggregate number of AAF personnel (officers, warrant officers and enlisted men) in training as overseas replacements as of 30 October was 496,318. (All students being trained as overseas replacements; includes requirements for committed units yet to be deployed overseas.)

/s/Charles B. Thornton
CHARLES B. THORNTON
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Statistical Control Division
Management Control

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Survey of Personnel Situation.

Deputy Chief of Air Staff,
General Owens.

25 Nov 44

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The Air Inspector.

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1. Compliance with directives contained in letter from this Headquarters to Commanding General, First Air Force, subject, "Personnel", dated 25 November 1944, copy of which is attached, should accomplish action desired by General Arnold as noted on page 2 of The Air Inspector's memorandum of 17 November 1944.

MAX F. SCHNEIDER
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy The Air Inspector

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Survey of Personnel Situation.

TO: IN TURN: Air Inspector
AC/AS, Personnel

DATE 22 Nov 44

FROM: Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, General Owens

Comment No. 1
JRB/ee/72141

1. Attention is called to General Arnold's directive on page 2 of the Air Inspector's memorandum of 17 November 1944.

2. For necessary action and report to this office.

/s/ & /t/ RAY L. OWENS
Brig Gen, USA
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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Survey of Personnel Situation

Deputy Chief of Air Staff (General Owens) 24 Nov 1944
(Through: The Air Inspector)
AC/AS Personnel

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1. Analysis has been made of all specialities in the airplane maintenance field and the radio mechanic field in order to completely reflect the assignment of qualified personnel by the 1st Air Force to these jobs.

2. According to figures prepared by the 1st Air Force on 31 October, the following conditions exist:

a. There is an actual shortage of 631 individuals (or 8.7% of authorized strength) in the maintenance field. By their own action, the 1st Air Force has increased this shortage to 933 by assigning 302 individuals qualified in the airplane maintenance field to some other type of job.

b. To offset the above real shortage of 631, only 141 previously unqualified personnel are being newly trained into the maintenance field. This is in spite of the fact that the 1st Air Force has known since mid-summer that the entire airplane maintenance field was short throughout the Zone of Interior. This Air Force received instructions for on-the-job training in these and other critically short specialities on 27 July, 15 September, 7 October and 9 November. The 1st Air Force has a gross surplus of 1875 enlisted personnel for re-training.

c. In the radio mechanic field there is a shortage of 82 (or 6.4% of authorized strenght.) By their own action the 1st Air Force has increased this shortage to 170 by assigning 68 men qualified in the radio mechanci field to some other type of job.

d. To offset the shortage cited in c above, only 42 previously unqualified personnel are being newly trained as radio mechanics. The same instructions cited in b above apply to radio mechanics.

3. With regard to officers there is a general surplus throughout the Zone of Interior. In the 1st Air Force there is a surplus of 847 (or 18.2% above authorized strength. Of these, 440 are in pilot categories. Reduction in excess pilots is being accomplished by a training rate below attrition requirements. Means for separating other excess officers have been made available by this office to the 1st Air Force. As recently as 13-24 November, representatives of this office again explained all the authorized methods of separating officers to the 1st Air Force and directed more expeditious action.

4. Attached is copy of letter pointing out deficiencies and directing corrective action which is being sent to the Command General, 1st Air Force.

Attachment:
Copy of letter.

/s/ J.M. Bevans
/t/ J.M. BEVANS
Major General, U.S.A.
Asst Chief of Air Staff, Personnel

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25 November 1944

SUBJECT: Personnel.

TO: Commanding General, First Air Force, Mitchel Field, New York.

1. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces, has expressed personal dissatisfaction with the personnel operation of the First Air Force.

2. This office has been directed to accomplish corrective action.

3. Analysis of your permanent party personnel status report as of 31 October 1944 indicate the following:

a. With an actual shortage of 631 personnel in the airplane maintenance field against your authorized strength, 302 of those on hand who are qualified in maintenance work were assigned to duties outside the maintenance field. Thus a total shortage of 933 was created by action within your Command.

b. In spite of knowledge of a general shortage of airplane maintenance personnel and specific instructions, transmitted to your representative as early as 15 September, directing the training and retraining of personnel to fill critical shortages, only 141 new individuals are being trained as mechanics. A gross surplus of 1875 enlisted personnel is shown in your Command as available for retraining.

4. With regard to officers there is a surplus of 847 in your permanent party according to your personnel status report of 31 October 1944. Of these 440 are in pilot categories and reduction in training is being accomplished to deplete this surplus. However, in connection with other types of officers, all authorized means for separating officers have been made available to your Command through frequent directives and personal visits by representatives of this office to your Headquarters, the last as recently as 13-14 November 1944. Insufficient action has resulted though procedures are available for the large majority of cases. Steps will be taken to eliminate this surplus expeditiously and appropriately through

a. Relief from active duty of surplus officers over 38 years of age;

b. Reclassification:

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c. Application of Public Law 190 - 77th Congress to inefficient officers of the Regular Army;

d. Resignation

(1) in lieu of reclassification

(2) for reasons of personal hardship

(3) to return to essential industry;

e. Retirement.

5. You are directed to assign all enlisted personnel qualified to perform airplane maintenance specialties to duties in that field including, where not impractical, individuals who may have a primary MOS in another field of skill.

6. You are directed to expedite the separation of surplus or inefficient officers through authorized procedures appropriate to the individual officers.

7. A report will be made to this Headquarters by 10 December 1944 detailing steps taken to correct this situation. Rapid improvement is expected.

By command of General ARNOLD:

J. M. BEVANS
Major General, U.S.A.
Asst Chief of Air Staff, Personnel.

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17 November 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : General H. H. ARNOLD

1. Pursuant to letter, no file number, Headquarters AAF, Subject: "Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF," 28 Oct 44 (Tab A), the following information concerning the First Air Force is submitted:

a. The actual strength of static personnel as compared to authorized strength is 667 commissioned personnel in excess and 312 enlisted personnel short as of 8 Nov 44.

b. Current authorizations for static personnel correspond very closely to actual requirements as to total number of personnel.

c. Current authorizations for enlisted personnel employed in aircraft maintenance are slightly inadequate to meet actual requirements.

d. Because of the many variables involved, it is impractical to definitely state the amount current authorizations of enlisted personnel skilled in aircraft maintenance need to be increased to meet actual requirements. It is believed that an increase in authorization of approximately two (2) per cent of enlisted personnel skilled in aircraft maintenance, with a corresponding reduction in authorization of enlisted personnel engaged in administrative and housekeeping duties, will bring current authorizations very closely in line with actual requirements.

e. Static personnel currently assigned the First Air Force is greatly out of balance as to military occupational specialties in that there are excesses in some specialties and shortages in others. Because of this lack of balance, it is believed that any reduction of enlisted personnel will adversely affect the First Air Force.

f. Excess commissioned personnel can be released.

g. There seems to be no problem in the First Air Force in connection with personnel returned from overseas and they appear to be properly utilized.

2. Tab B is detailed report.

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(Memo to General H. H. ARNOLD, AFTAI, 17 Nov 44)

3. RECOMMENDATIONS.

a. That Headquarters AAF increase current authorization of personnel for the First Air Force by 2% in those military occupational specialties peculiar to aircraft maintenance and reduce authorizations by a like amount in those military occupational specialties pertaining to administrative and housekeeping duties.

b. That AC/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, assign to the First Air Force as rapidly as possible sufficient enlisted personnel qualified in military occupational specialties peculiar to aircraft maintenance to make up the present shortage of 10% plus the 2% additional authorization recommended in par. a above. That until this is accomplished the First Air Force not be called upon to transfer out of that command any personnel qualified for and/or performing duties in military occupational specialties peculiar to aircraft maintenance except where such transfers are absolutely essential to the war effort.

JUNIUS W. JONES
Major General, USA
The Air Inspector

APPROVED:

H. H. ARNOLD,
General, U. S. Army,
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

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HEADQUARTERS, ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

AFTAI (3A)

28 October 1944

SUBJECT: Survey of Personnel Situation, AAF.

TO : The Air Inspector, Headquarters AAF, Washington 25, D. C.

1. It is requested that The Air Inspector conduct a survey of the personnel situation of the AAF within continental United States for the purpose of determining and reporting upon:

a. Actual strength of military personnel as compared to Manning Tables, Tables of Organization, and other personnel authorizations by air forces and commands.

b. Actual requirements as compared to actual authorization and actual strength by air forces and commands.

c. From a and b, numbers of excess personnel by those categories reported on AAF Statistical Report No. SC-PS-133 by air forces and commands.

d. Existing plans for absorption of c.

e. Personnel, if any, by categories mentioned in c that can be released.

f. Personnel reported under e qualified for overseas duty.

2. During the course of the survey outlined in par. 1 above, inquiry will also be made into the processing, assignment, and utilization of personnel returned from overseas.

3. The Air Inspector is authorized to call on staff agencies of this Headquarters and commanders of continental air forces and commands for such information and assistance as will expedite the conduct of this survey.

By command of General ARNOLD:

/s/ Ray L. Owens

RAY L. OWENS
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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L. M. JOHNSON
Colonel, IGD

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16 November 1944

SUBJECT: Survey of Personnal Situation, AAF First Air Force.

TO: The Air Inspector
Headquarters Army Air Forces
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in letter, Headquarters Army Air Forces, 28 October 1944, subject: Survey of Personnel Situation AAF, Colonel L. M. Johnson, 0222154 IGD, accompanied by three officers of the Office of The Air Inspector, conducted a survey of the personnel situation of the First Air Force during the period 1-10 November 1944.

2. During the course of this survey at Headquarters First Air Force, a similar study was made by a Board composed of representatives of Operations, Commitments and Requirements; Personnel; Manpower Division, Management Control; and Statistical Division, Headquarters AAF, on 9, 10, and 11 November 1944. On 9 November, the undersigned attended a conference held by the foregoing committee with the Staff Headquarters First Air Force.

3. A representation from AC/AS, Personnel, arrived at Mitchel Field late on 10 November 1944, and the undersigned was advised that the purpose of this visit was to discuss availability of personnal for carrying out the fighter CCTS training program from the First Air Force.

4. With reference to actual strength of military personnel as to manning tables, tables of organization and other personnel authorizations, the following information is submitted:

a. In order to prove the accuracy of the strength reporting system in vogue in the First Air Force, a census of that Command was taken as of midnight 8 November. The census indicated that the strength reporting system was accurate to 1/100 of 1%. Based on the census it appears that the First Air Force was short, as of that date, 312 enlisted men and over 667 officers of the number authorized in the manning tables for static personnal.

b. Report is not made on table of organization units since the only T/O units other than those scheduled for movement are bands, personnel of which by reason of their restricted SSN's are of little value other than in their present assignment.

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5. Actual requirements as compared to actual authorization of actual strength.

a. In arriving at a conclusion with regard to requirements, the following factors must be taken in to consideration:

(1) The current manning table for static personnel in the First Air Force has been in effect only since 31 October 1944.

(2) The number of civilian personnel provided by current manning tables was arrived at by setting the number of civilians currently employed plus 3% for flexibility as the number authorized.

(3) A computation of overages and shortages in military position assignments authorized by the manning table shows that there are some 2,954 enlisted personnel qualified for position assignments short and some 5,125 enlisted personnel surplus for position assignments. With reference to commissioned personnel, qualified personnel are available in the amount of 1,248 in excess of authorized position assignments while there are 857 lacking for authorized position assignments. In other words, available personnel as compared to the manning table by military occupational specialists is badly out of balance.

(4) Until very recently, there was available at practically all bases and installations in the First Air Force varying amounts of excess personnel.

(5) Statistical records indicate that in those military occupational specialists normally assigned to flight line maintenance and production line maintenance, there is a shortage of enlisted personnel of approximately 10% as compared to the manning table. In this connection attention is invited to Inclosure No. 1 which shows that in some cases rather large numbers of personnel in these short maintenance categories are employed outside of their primary MOS.

(6) It is stated by Manpower Division, Management Control, Headquarters AAF, that no allowance for ineffectives is made in manning tables compiled in that office, i.e., personnel sick, in confinement, AWOL, on pass, furlough,

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detached service, etc. It is stated that tables are compiled on the assumption that the air forces and continental commands make proper allowances for ineffectives when they submitted their requirements to Headquarters AAF. Manpower Division, First Air Force states that an allowance of 7.5% for ineffectives was made in computing requirements on which the current manning table was based. Base commanders and other interested officers are of the opinion that the rate of ineffectives remains almost constant at approximately 25%. This figure appears somewhat high and it is believed that a figure approaching 18% would be very nearly correct.

(7) The First Air Force states that requirements for maintenance personnel were computed on the basis of 72 hours per week, per man, thus contemplating that each man will be employed 12 hours per day, six days per week. The fallacy of such computation is obvious when it is considered that personnel are required to attend physical training, orientation lectures, chemical warfare training, camouflage training, etc. The time required for this training normally must be deducted from the time available for maintenance duty. This is not properly chargeable to the ineffective rate discussed above.

(8) It is positively stated that no provision is allowed in manning tables for personnel required to maintain and operate aircraft other than tactical aircraft required in the training systems of the continental air forces.

(9) As of 10 November 1944 manning tables had not been prepared for approximately eight of the bases assigned to the First Air Force.

(10) Visits to Camp Springs, Maryland, a basic fighter training base; Dover Army Air Base, Delaware, an advanced fighter training base; and to Chatham Army Air Field, Georgia, a bombardment OCTS base; indicate that the distribution of the shortage of maintenance personnel within the First Air Force is not equal between bases. The shortage of this personnel at Chatham AAF is from three to four times that compared to the First Air Force, as a whole; the shortage at

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Camp Springs is approximately 15% as compared to 10% of the First Air Force, as a whole; while at Dover the assigned strength very nearly approximates the authorized strength.

(11) On 6 November 1944 the number of OCTS trainees in the fighter pilot training system of the First Air Force was 1,815 or 83.3% in excess of the 990 upon which computation of static personnel required to conduct the OCTS pilot fighter training program was based and on which figure the manning table authorizations were made. This current over-load is offset to some extent by the fact that AC/AS, Training, has agreed for the next 90 days graduates of the fighter OCTS First Air Force will be required to complete only 100 hours as against the programmed 120 hours of flying time. It is estimated that the number of OCTS fighter trainees will reach the programmed number of 990 sometime in February.

b. Despite the fact that a current over-load is being carried in the fighter pilot training program in the face of a current shortage of maintenance personnel, there is created a doubt that the current authorization for maintenance personnel will be able to efficiently and proficiently carry on necessary maintenance. This doubt arises from the factors which were ignored in arriving at authorizations for maintenance personnel in the current manning table and is further emphasized when other factors such as the experience of currently available supervisory personnel, inclement weather, which may be expected in the territory of the First Air Force for the next several months, and the fact that the majority of the bases in the First Air Force engaged in OCTS training are of the dispersed type which make effective production line maintenance exceedingly difficult, are taken into consideration. It is believed that insofar as personnel required for maintenance of aircraft is concerned, the current authorization for maintenance personnel is definitely not in excess of requirements and that as current aircraft acquire more hours, thus requiring more maintenance which will in many instances be complicated by inclement weather, the currently authorized maintenance personnel will prove insufficient. Except for maintenance personnel, the current authorization of static personnel is believed to be adequate and it is possible that a slight reduction could be absorbed without material effect. That is, bases and other activities could be operated with no increase in the total number of authorized personnel if maintenance personnel were increased by approximately 2% and administrative and house-keeping personnel reduced by an equivalent amount.

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6. It has been found impractical to report excess personnel by those categories shown on AAF Statistical Report No. SC-PS-133, since personnel is not broken down into those categories except at Headquarters Army Air Forces.

7. In view of the small amount of excess personnel in the First Air Force, there appears to be no need of any plan for absorbtion.

8. Of the excess personnel mentioned in paragraph 4 above, it is believed that the commissioned personnel can be released immediately without any adverse effect on the First Air Force. It is not believed that the small current shortage of enlisted personnel can be further increased without adverse effect until such time as additional maintenance personnel are made available to the First Air Force.

9. Of the available excess personnel it is believed that the full number can be utilized for overseas duty.

10. With reference to utilization and assignment of personnel returned from overseas, no problem appears to exist in the First Air Force and all returned personnel appear to be utilized effectively.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. That the First Air Force inquire into the number of enlisted men whose primary military occupational specialties are those short to the command but who are performing duties outside of their primary MOS. (See par. 5a(5) and Incl No. 1)

b. That the First Air Force take all possible action to equalize the distribution of enlisted personnel qualified in military occupational specialties peculiar to aircraft maintenance between those bases of the command requiring such personnel.

c. That Headquarters AAF increase current authorization of personnel for the First Air Force by 2% in those military occupational specialties peculiar to aircraft maintenance and reduce authorizations by a like amount in those military occupational specialties pertaining to administrative and housekeeping duties.

d. That AC/AS, Personnel, Headquarters AAF, assign to the First Air Force as rapidly as possible sufficient enlisted personnel qualified in military occupational specialties peculiar to aircraft maintenance to make up the present shortage of 10% plus the 2% additional authorization recommended in paragraph c above. That until this is accomplished the First Air Force not be called upon to transfer out of that command any

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personnel qualified for and/or performing duties in military occupational specialties peculiar to aircraft maintenance except where such transfers are absolutely essential to the war effort.

L. M. JOHNSON
Colonel, IGD

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The following is a tabulation of military occupational specialists pertaining to aircraft maintenance which consolidation of the 127 Reports First Air Force, 31 October 1944, indicates are working in categories other than their primary MOS.

		Working Out
747 AP Mng Mech	W	408
	C	19
		427
750 AP Maint Tech	W	56
	C	0
		56
686 AP Inst Mech	W	13
	C	0
		13
687 AP Prop Mech	W	21
	C	0
		21
683 Bombsight Mech	W	3
	C	0
		3
685 AP Elec Sp	W	13
	C	1
		14
555 AP Sheet Metal Worker	W	11
	C	0
		11
754 Radio Mech AAF	W	31
	C	4
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Survey of Personnel Situation.

Deputy Chief of Air Staff,
General Owens.

25 Nov 44

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The Air Inspector.

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1. Compliance with directives contained in letter from this Headquarters to Commanding General, First Air Force, subject, "Personnel", dated 25 November 1944, copy of which is attached, should accomplish action desired by General Arnold as noted on page 2 of The Air Inspector's memorandum of 17 November 1944.

MAX F. SCHNEIDER
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy The Air Inspector

Attach:
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REMARKS:

Attached is latest revision (as directed by General Arnold) of Personnel Survey Report. This was presented to Col. Dean 16 Nov by Dr. Learned and Lt Col Wendler.

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DISTRIBUTION OF AAF ENLISTED PERSONNEL
(as of 30 Sept 44)

Continental and Overseas Strength	2,033,337
Overseas Strength	961,356
Continental Strength	1,072,001
Required in Units Scheduled for Overseas	156,295
	915,706
Students in Training	268,090
	647,616
In Operating Activities in U.S.	129,365
	518,251
Permanent Party in Training Activities	518,251
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DISTRIBUTION OF AAF ENLISTED PERSONNEL
(as of 30 Sept 44)

Permanent Party in Training Activities

By Overseas Service Qualification

Not Qualified for Overseas Duty	121,817
Less than 12 Months Service	14,209
Over 38 Years of Age	37,986
Returned from Overseas	28,406
Over 12 Months Service and Qualified for Overseas Duty	316,142
Total	518,281

By Specialist Qualification

Specialists - who must be replaced by specialists	371,470
Hewers of wood and Haulers of Water	146,781
Total	518,251

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DISTRIBUTION OF AAF ENLISTED PERSONNEL
(as of 30 Sept 44)

Permanent Party in Training Activities

By Overseas Service Qualification

Not Qualified for Overseas Duty	121,517
Less than 12 Months Service	14,309
Over 38 Years of Age	37,985
Returned from Overseas	28,408
Over 12 Months Service and Qualified for Overseas Duty	316,142
Total	518,351

By Specialist Qualification

Specialists: Highly Skilled Technicians Peculiar to the AAF	213,719
Specialists: Not peculiar to the AAF that must be Replaced by Trained Specialists	157,731
Non-Specialists: Personnel not Requiring Special Training	146,751
Total	518,351

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DISTRIBUTION OF AAF ENLISTED PERSONNEL

(as of 30 Sept 44)

Permanent Party in Continental Activities

By Overseas Service Qualification

Not Qualified for Overseas Duty	163,749
Less than 12 Months Service	17,124
Over 38 Years of Age:	47,176
Returned from Overseas:	38,421
Over 12 Months Service and Qualified for Overseas Duty	381,146
Total	647,616

By Specialist Qualification

Specialists: Highly Skilled Technicians Peculiar to the AAF	248,628
Specialists: Not Peculiar to the AAF that must be Replaced by Trained Specialists	206,412
Non-Specialists: Personnel not Requiring Special Training	192,581
Total	647,616

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TAB A

DISTRIBUTION OF AAF ENLISTED PERSONNEL

(as of 30 Sept 44)

Personnel Required in Units Scheduled for Overseas	
VHB Units	20,265
Fighter Units (VLR)	5,985
Service Groups	28,384
Air Depot Groups	11,494
Aviation Engineer Battalions	15,299
Signal Air Warning Units	9,268
Misc. Air Corps and Arms & Service Units	26,051
ATC Augmentation	29,508
AACS Augmentation	1,183
Total Enlisted Personnel	186,296

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TAB B

DISTRIBUTION OF AAF MILITARY PERSONNEL

(as of 30 Sept 44)

Students in Training

Operating Activities		
Air Technical Service Command	42,373	
Air Transport Command	3,304	
Personnel Distribution Command	29,365	
Proving Ground Command	105	
Tactical Center	288	
Commanding General (Domestic)	12,936	88,371
Training Activities		
First Air Force	8,264	
Second Air Force	80,681	
Third Air Force	29,438	
Fourth Air Force	18,401	
Training Command	219,226	
I Troop Carrier Command	10,027	336,014
Total Personnel in Training		424,385
Personnel Required in Units Scheduled for Overseas (See Tab A)		156,295
Students in Training		268,090

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TAB C

DISTRIBUTION OF AAF RELATED PERSONNEL
(as of 30 Sept 44)

Permanent Party

Operating Activities

Air Technical Service Command	48,611	
Air Transport Command	38,868	
Personnel Distribution Command	16,638	
Proving Ground Command	7,187	
Tactical Center	5,004	
Commanding General (Domestic)	20,282	139,788

Training Activities

First Air Force	26,712	
Second Air Force	91,014	
Third Air Force	81,366	
Fourth Air Force	47,979	
Training Command	242,223	
I Troop Carrier Command	18,917	518,351

Total Permanent Party in U.S. 667,616

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DISTRIBUTION OF AAF ENLISTED PERSONNEL

(as of 30 Sept 44)

Movement of Able Bodied Men out of Permanent Party

1.	Directive from WD General Staff to Transfer to AGF (Oct through Dec)	40,000
2.	Average Monthly Transfers out of Permanent Party to:	
	(1) Overseas Ground Loss Replacements	3,800
	(2) Overseas Rotation	3,800
	(3) Input into Gunnery Flow from Permanent Party	4,700
3.	On V-J Day all remaining are required for Redeployment	

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Base Personnel for Radar Program

10 Nov 1944

AC/AS, Personnel (attention: Maj. Gen. Bevans) #1

Chief of Air Staff

1. Supplementing R&R from this office dated 18 October 1944, subject, "Base Personnel for Radar Program", so much of R&R as is applicable to Radar Mechanics Beacon, SSN 851, is superseded by the following:

It is directed that Radar mechanics Beacon, SSN 851, trained on CPN-6 Beacons, be assigned to the Training Command from the AAF Technical Training School, Boca Raton, Florida. Subject personnel, not to exceed twenty (20) in number, shall be made available, as required, in accordance with the allocation of equipment.

Signed.
FREDERIC H. SMITH, JR.
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF AIR STAFF NOV 8 1944

Subject: Letter, Headquarters, AAF Training Command, Ft. Worth, Texas, dated 18 September 1944

I. Discussion

1. A requirement for twenty (20) Radar Mechanics Beacon, SSN 851, exists and personnel must be supplied within thirty (30) days from 18 October 1944. (See Exhibit A)

2. The requirement is for the BTO Program at Langley Field, Virginia, and Victorville, California. This personnel requires training on certain equipments to be installed on those fields, namely, AN/CPN-6 Beacons. To date, no personnel have been graduated trained on this equipment. The first class will be graduated during the current month of this year.

3. The Army Airways Communications System, the sole user of Radar Mechanics Beacon already graduated from school, has been directed to supply the twenty (20) Mechanics mentioned in paragraph 1. Presently assigned personnel of the AACS have not been trained on the CPN-6 Beacon. Therefore, the transfer of personnel from the AACS which is the only available source at present, if required, would seriously handicap the AACS operating program and would be of no benefit to the Training Command in their present mission.

II. Action Recommended

1. It is recommended that the attached R&R be signed, authorizing the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel, to supersede so much of the directive pertaining to the assignment of personnel for the BTO Program as applies to Radar Mechanics Beacon, SSN 851.

2. It is further recommended that the Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel, be directed to assign to the Training Command graduates of Boca Raton trained in CPN-6 Beacons to meet the requirement shown in Exhibit A.

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#1 Exhibit A
#2 R&R

H. M. McCLELLAND
Brig Gen, U. S. A.
Air Communications Officer

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Base Personnel for Radar Program

General Bevans

18 Oct. 1944

General Giles

COMMENT NO. 1

1. Attached is a list of personnel required to man Radar Operator training stations.

2. It is directed that the assignment of this personnel be given a high enough priority to assure their being supplied within the next thirty days.

3. In the event this personnel can not be supplied from normal sources, each Air Force and Command will be directed to furnish its share.

/s/ by FREDERICK H. SMITH, JR.,
Brig. General, U.S.Army
Deputy Chief of Air Staff

for: BARNEY M. GILES
Lt. General, U. S. A.
Chief of Air Staff.

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HEADQUARTERS
ARMY AIR FORCES TRAINING COMMAND
FORT WORTH 2 TEXAS

18 Sept. 1944

SUBJECT: Personnel Requirements for BTO Program

TO: CG, AAF, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Reference is made to classified ltr your Hq. APACT, 30 Aug 44, subj: "Trf of Radar Training Facilities".

2. The above directive necessitates the establishment of a program in this command requiring the operation and maint. of 145 4-engine acft and related ground equipment at two installations which have recently been asgd to this comd. To facilitate the establishment of the BTO Program, it is requested that following pers., not now available in this command, be asgd to stations indicated:

NO.	SSN	MOS	Sta Asgmt
16	528	Ap Hydraulic Spec	Langley Fld., Va.
17	528	Ap Hydraulic Spec	Victorville, Cal.
5	568	Ap Fab. Wkr	Victorville, Cal.
5	568	Ap Fab. Wkr	Langley Fld., Va.
2	684	Ap Pwr Plant Spec	Victorville, Cal.
4	684	Ap Pwr Plant Spec	Langley Fld., Va.
12	685	Ap Elect Spec	Victorville, Cal.
22	685	Ap Elect Spec	Langley Field, Va.
2	687	Ap Prop Spec	Victorville, Cal.
21	687	Ap Prop Spec	Langley Fld., Va.
900	747	Army Ap Eng Mech	Victorville, Cal.
117	747	Army Apr Eng Mech	Langley Fld., Va.
10	851	Radar Mech, Beacon	Victorville, Cal.
10	851	Radar Mech, Beacon	Langley Fld., Va.
6	853	Radar Mech, Nav.	Victorville, Cal.
2	853	Radar Mech, Nav.	Langley Fld., Va.
15	856	Radar Mech, Sea Search	Langley Fld., Va.
234	2750	Aerial Engr	Victorville, Cal.
192	2750	Aerial Engr	Langley Fld., Va.
234	2756	ROM	Victorville, Cal.
192	2756	ROM	Langley Fld., Va.
68	750	Ap Maint Tech	Langley Fld., Va.

The above pers. should be qual. in maint. of B-24 acft. If such pers. is not avail., the asgmt of pers. qual. on signel or two engine acft is requested. Arrangements have been made by this Comd to give a short indoctrination course on 4-engine acft at Keesler Fld., Miss.

3. Additional pers. requirements for VHB and other programs now being established will be forwarded at a later date.

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Base Personnel for Radar Program

AC/AS - Training

10 November 44

Chief of Air Staff

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Radio Personnel for Radar Program

AC/AS, Personnel

3 November 44

Chief of the Air Staff

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In view of your Comment No. 2, paragraph 2, modification of our comment No. 1, paragraph 2, is hereby approved. Pursuant your statement this will allow personnel for this project to arrive in equal increments to man the airplanes as they arrive and all personnel will be in place by 30 November 1944.

Signed
F. H. SMITH, JR.,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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X APPROVAL

Requested Change in the War Department Troop Basis (1 Dec 44) for 806th Air Engineering Squadron

1. In compliance with Par 3 of Disposition from WDGS, Organization & Training Division, G-3, dated 12 December 1944, Par 4 of AAF Disposition Form to OPD and G-3, dated 6 Dec 1944, is expanded as follows:

a. Col 32: Electronic Control Sec (4 EM)
To provide specialists on Turbo-Superchargers with which practically all aircraft in POA will be equipped.

b. Col 33: Instrument Landing System Repair Sec (1-O,4-EM)
To provide personnel for instrument landing systems which are being provided in POA.

c. Col 34: RCM Sec (1-O, 4-EM)
To provide personnel for RCM equipment now in POA for Radar repair of airborne equipment.

d. Col 35: Sheet Metal Shop (4-EM)
To provide sheet metal personnel in view of past experiences.

2. Reference is made to following radios:

a. RJ 31617, 15 Sept 44, from COMGENPOA requesting augmentation of six Engineering Sqs by Cols 30 through 35.

b. WD 33464, 19 Sept 44 to COMGENPOA in which augmentation was not favorably considered.

c. RJ 33626, 30 Sept 44 from COMGENPOA, recommending reconsideration of Cols 31 through 35 and giving reasons as cited in par 1 above.

d. WD 73426, 5 Oct 44 to COMGENPOA authorizing Cols 32 through 35 for six Engineering Sqs.

3. Reasons for the augmentation of 806th Sq and their justification are thought

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similar to those for the six (6) Air Engineering Squadrons above and radios to and from War Department are cited. It is desired to reorganize and augment the 806th Air Engineering Sq upon its arrival in the Pacific Ocean Areas and Troop Basis provision for this action is being requested. Similar augmentations of other Air Engineering Sqs redeployed to this theater in the future will possibly merit the same consideration.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

JOSEPH J. LADD
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Troop Basis Division
Asst. Chief of Air Staff
Operations, Commitments & Requirements

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18 Oct. 44

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Strength Reports

I. Discussion

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3. In an effort to prevent recurrence of these misunderstandings, a second meeting was held between these same offices on 5 October 1944 to examine operating procedures used in compiling strength reports. As a result of this meeting, the AAF believes that complete reconciliation between SARO reports and AAF reports depends on the following War Department actions which the AAF recommends be taken:

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b. That the War Department G-3 Troop Basis and the OPD Troop Deployment be brought into exact agreement.

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

BARNEY M. GILES
Lt. General, U. S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff

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18 Oct. 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF:

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

BARNEY M. GILES
Lt. General, U. S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff

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AC/AS, Training 24 October 44

Chief of the Air Staff 6

1. This office does not concur in your recommendation in Comment No. 5, paragraph 3, that OPD be approached at this time for the necessary waivers. It is felt that we have no certain way of knowing at this time that the readiness dates are firm. We will know 30 to 60 days ahead of shipping dates enabling us to approach OPD with the necessary request for waivers.

2. It is desired in the meantime that you take all steps possible to complete the training.

Signed

F. H. SMITH, JR.,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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Signed

FREDERIC H. SMITH, JR.
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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VLR Fighter Program

AC/AS, Operations, Commitments and Requirements — 16 October 44

Chief of the Air Staff — 2

1. It is desired that your office comply with request contained in paragraph 3 of Comment No. 1, and that this plan be submitted to the Chief of Air Staff for approval.

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F. H. SMITH, JR.
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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Ten Engineer Aviation Battalions.

Chief of Air Staff 10 Oct 1944

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1. Attached is a Memorandum for the Chief of Staff requesting approval of a proposal to activate 10 additional Engineer Aviation Battalions. The memorandum is quite similar to the one recently submitted in connection with the Five Fighter Group Project.

2. Immediate activation of these units is possible because of our recent request to eliminate all AAF intake from Selective Service. The mathematical computation of this savings and of its utilization is as follows:

a. Prior to our request that intake from Selective Service be eliminated, the Army Air Forces had been scheduled to receive in Basic Training Centers approximately 17,500 new people per month. Our new planned intake is approximately 4,000 per month, all from the Enlisted Reserve. Thus the monthly intake has been reduced by approximately 13,500, all of whom would have required a minimum of 35 days training, plus processing time. Additional training given illiterates and career gunners would have operated to further increase the average period in Basic Training Centers. To compute the reduction in the population in Basic Training Centers, the reduction in monthly flow is multiplied by the average number of months the flow remains in Basic Training Centers. The net effect is a reduction in excess of 18,000 student population.

b. We have utilized and propose to utilize this savings as follows:

	Students	AI Bulk	Total
Five Fighter Gps	10,300	2,500	12,800
Ten Aviation Bns	7,770		7,770
	18,070	2,500	20,570

3. Since students and replacements comprise a portion of our Zone of Interior authorizations, the entire 20,570 authorization required for the two projects in reality can be considered as having been derived from the Zone of Interior.

4. It has been recommended that 8 of the 10 Engineer Aviation Battalions have negro enlisted personnel since this personnel has proven satisfactory in battalions of this type, and such utilization of this personnel will alleviate a surplus we now have. Two white units have been requested since they can be trained more quickly and will be available at an earlier date in the event an emergency requirement should arise.

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Chief of Air Staff 10 Oct 1944

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5. The 10 battalions recommended in the attached memorandum together with 4 battalions (3 with the Five Fighter Group Project and 1 for the Central Pacific) recently included in the Troop Basis should operate to some extent to relieve the shortage of these units which will exist when redeployment commences. In the Army Air Forces Redeployment Troop Basis the War Department has provided for 42 battalions over and above the number authorized in the present Troop Basis, and the 14 units in question will therefore reduce the shortage to 28.

6. The attached memorandum is being routed directly to the Chief of Staff in order to expedite the matter. The Five Fighter Group project which was routed in the same manner was approved in 48 hours whereas it had previously required over a month for G-3 and OPD to consider and disapprove the same project.

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C/S, above subj.

WILLIAM F. McKEE
Colonel, G.S.C.
Asst. Chief of Air Staff
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Ten Engineer Aviation Battalions

I. Discussion

1. Redeployment of combat Air Forces units can be accomplished only as rapidly and as effectively as the provision of airfields from which such units must operate. The length of time required to construct airfields is such that it is not advisable to await the redeployment of Engineer Aviation Battalions now in the European and Mediterranean Theaters; nor are there an adequate number of Engineer Aviation Battalions now available in Pacific theaters for the construction of airdromes required during the initial stage of redeployment. In fact the provision of additional battalions is required to expedite presently planned operations in these areas.

2. For the purpose of accelerating the construction of airdromes in areas of the Pacific, the Army Air Forces propose to activate ten Engineer Aviation Battalions, of which eight will have negro enlisted personnel. These units will require 330 white officers, 1488 white enlisted men and 5952 negro enlisted men. Enlisted personnel to comprise the units will be drawn from those qualified for overseas service who are now at Army Air Forces installations in the Zone of Interior. No increase in the present Troop Basis will be required inasmuch as the elimination of Army Air Forces intake from Selective Service recently requested by this Headquarters makes possible further reduction in the number of students and replacements required by the Army Air Forces in the Continental United States.

II. Action recommended

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the Army Air Forces be authorized to activate ten additional Engineer Aviation Battalions immediately.

2. That the personnel for manning these units be obtained by a corresponding reduction in the allotment for

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students and replacements now contained in the Army Air Forces section of the War Department Troop Basis.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

BARNEY M. GILES,
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff.

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Request by Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce for Strength of the Army Air Forces.

Secretary of Air Staff (Attn: Lt Col Laver) 4 Oct 44

Management Control, Statistical Control Division 4 OCT 1944 1

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1. In compliance with verbal request of Lt Col Laver, this R&R is written to your office, to invite attention to attached correspondence in which a request is made by the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, for the strength of the Army.

2. Particular attention is invited to paragraph 4 of Memorandum from Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, in which remarks and recommendations as to the security and content and desirability of releasing strength figures of the Army Air Forces was requested.

3. Action taken by this division was to tabulate strength figures including 30 April and 30 June 1944 in a Memorandum to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, which is attached.

4. Coordination was effected with AC/AS, Intelligence, AC/AS, Personnel and the Office of Technical Information. The release of figures for April and June of 1944 was questioned for reasons of security and the desirability, especially in view of the fact that the strength of the Army is at present over its authorized 7.[illegible] millions. As of 31 Aug 1944, the Army Air Forces was 50,923 over its authorized Troop Basis strength.

5. All three of the coordinating agencies agreed that it was undesirable to release the information because of the strength status of the Army at present. Colonel Paul, AC/AS, Intelligence, believed that such current information should be classified confidential for security reasons. Both Military Personnel and OTI saw no objection on the grounds of security, especially in view of the fact that the strength of the AAF as of 1 Jan 1944 was published on page 6 of the Report of the Commanding General, AAF, to the Secretary of War, 4 Jan 1944.

6. Military Personnel, through Major Miller, after consulting with Col. Hopwood, wrote the following coordinating comment: "Military Personnel has no objection to the release of the figures but cannot see any advantages to be gained by such release. It is believed that the determination of security rests with the War Department as the figures will be released by them and embodied in a report of the strength of the Army".

CHARLES B. THORNTON
Colonel, Air Corps
Chief, Statistical Control Division

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24 SEP 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Activation of Five Very Long Range Fighter Groups.

I. Discussion

1. The Army Air Forces is faced with the problem of providing fighter escort for very heavy bomber operations against Japan. The simple way to solve this problem would be to utilize five P-47 groups with associated services now in the European Theater. This solution is improbable however until the war with Germany comes to an end. Since the date for the termination of the war with Germany is indefinite, we must now make provision by other means for insuring very heavy bomber fighter escort.

2. I propose to activate five fighter groups immediately with their associated services utilizing therefor personnel from the Zone of the Interior with an accompanying reduction in the Zone of the Interior Troop Basis.

II. Action recommended

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the Army Air Forces be authorized to activate five very long range fighter groups with associated services at once.

2. That the personnel for manning these groups will be obtained by a corresponding reduction in the Zone of the Interior Troop Basis for the Army Air Forces.

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24 SEP 1944

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H. H. ARNOLD,
General, U. S. Army,
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

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Activation of Five Very Long Range Fighter Groups

AC/AS Operations, Commitments & Requirements

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General Arnold

1. I have submitted to the Chief of Staff a recommendation for the activation of five very long range fighter groups with their associated services.

2. It is desired that you prepare immediately the necessary plans and directives for the activation of the five very long range fighter groups and their associated services. Upon receipt of approval from the Chief of Staff your office is charged with the responsibility of placing these plans and directives into effect.

3. The personnel to form these units will be taken from the Training Command and from the Air Forces, utilizing some of the personnel from fighter combat crew training schools as may be necessary. Personnel to form the service units will be furnished by the Training Command and the units will be organized and trained by the Air Technical Service Command.

4. I have furnished a copy of this directive to General Bevans, General Welsh and General Echols for their information and for action within the scope of their respective jurisdiction.

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H. H. ARNOLD,
General, U. S. Army,
Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

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AAF Contract Termination Program

Chief of the Air Staff

18 Sept 1944

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Request attached memorandum for the Chief of Staff be signed and forwarded.

J. M. EVANS
Major General, U. S. A.
AC/AS, Personnel

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22 SEP 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attention G-1 Division)

Subject: AAF Contract Termination Program

I. Discussion:

1. Reference is made to Memorandum for the Chief of Staff, subject as above, dated 27 July 1944, from the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Tab 1), reply from the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1 (Tab II), and comments by the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, contained in a Memorandum for the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1 (Tab III).

2. The Army Air Forces has earmarked all officers who appear to possess the basic qualifications for Contract Termination and Readjustment duties and is training them in appropriate courses at Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, the Judge Advocate General's School, Army Industrial College, and the AAF Termination Officers School at Vandalia, Ohio. All officers detailed to training courses in these schools must meet the qualifications as to civilian business and professional experience and they are taught only contract termination and readjustment procedures and policies. It is not practicable, and there is not sufficient time, to attempt to give officers lacking the qualifications enough training to make them qualified legal, contracting, negotiating, property disposal and auditing officers.

3. A strenuous effort has been made to obtain the services of civilians to perform these duties, and a continuing campaign will be made to bring as many of them as possible into the program. To date approximately 380 key civilians and approximately 840 non-key civilians have been employed on this project.

4. Consolidation of the AAF Materiel Command and the AAF Air Service Command under the AAF Air Technical Services Command has made it possible to effect certain economies in officer personnel formerly assigned to the two old commands. The result is that an undetermined number of these officers are being reassigned from their former duties to contract termination work. It is yet

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too early to estimate accurately the result this shifting of personnel will have on the personnel requirements for Project RPO. It is hoped that this, and the return of increasing numbers of qualified officers from ETO and MTO, will yield enough officers to meet the needs for contracting, negotiating, property disposal, legal, and administrative officers.

5. However, indications are that there are not available from any new sources additional auditing officers. To date approximately 350 such officers have been located and earmarked for Project RPO. The AAF Budget and Fiscal Officer estimates that he will need not less than 1225 auditing officers. A recent survey indicates that there are a large number of AAF enlisted men who meet the qualifications of auditing officers. This Headquarters would like to utilize this source of personnel and the recently established warrant officer classification "Warrant Officer - Cost Accountant." AG letter SPAS 320.2 (4/27/42) OP-A, Subject: "Allotment of Warrant Officers," dated 4 May 1942, establishes a ceiling of one-half of one per cent of total AAF enlisted strength as the maximum number of warrant officers authorized the Army Air Forces. As of 31 July 1944, the Air Forces exceeded this ceiling by 182 warrant officers. Except for this limitation, 800 warrant officers could immediately be utilized in auditing work under this program.

II. Recommendation:

1. It is recommended that AG letter cited in paragraph 5, Part I, above, be amended in such manner as to authorize the Army Air Forces to appoint 800 Warrant Officers - Cost Accountant, all such warrant officers to be assigned to Project RPO upon appointment.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

FREDERIC H. SMITH, JR.
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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Report of Medical Personnel and Patients

Air Surgeon

25 August 1944

Secretary, Air Staff

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Information is requested of the status of the above correspondence from G-1 dated 10 August 1944, which was forwarded to your office on Suspense Slip #401 dated 12 August 1944.

Signed

C. J. MARA,
Lt. Colonel, A. C.,
Acting Secretary, Air Staff.

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Return of Ground Maintenance Personnel of Heavy Bombardment Groups to ZI

AC/AS, Personnel 4 July 44
THRU: AC/AS, Operations, Commitments and Requirements
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1. In order to increase the level of experience in the Second Air Force and the very heavy bombardment groups, General Arnold has directed that steps be taken to interchange personnel from the zone of the interior with the combat theaters.

2. Generals Eaker and Spaats have informally agreed that units of 100 or 200 men of similar qualifications and preferably lower grades and ratings could be interchanged from bases in the Training Command and training Air Forces with designated groups in the combat theaters.

3. General Giles intends to discuss this matter with the Pacific and Indian theaters, and it is expected that General Eaker will have taken it up with General Bevans.

4. When this scheme has been tried before, opposition was met by the Transportation people as we stated our purpose was to increase rotation. However, now that the level of experience is so low and will be lower after the 73rd Wing leaves, this interchange of personnel becomes an operational necessity.

PATRICK W. TIMBERLAKE,
Brigadier General, U.S.A.,
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MEMORANDUM FOR Deputy Chief of Staff:

Subject: Data on Redistribution Station No. 1 and Redistribution Program

1. During the month of May 1944, 2509 returnees were given new assignments from AAF Redistribution Station No. 1 at Atlantic City, New Jersey; 1241 remained on hand for a total of 3750 processed or being processed in May.

2. The number reassigned was below the anticipated flow for this period. It was estimated that this station would process a load of 3320 per month but this figure has not been reached to date. Current Port flow indicates that the figure will be reached during July and successive months. It is impractical to shift permanent party, who must be trained in handling of this specialized work, in and out of the organization to meet the ebb and flow of returnees.

3. The total military permanent party at AAF Redistribution Station No. 1 is 1390 (including civilian employees totals 1876) as shown in Table I of inclosure 1; of the military personnel approximately 755 are qualified for overseas duty. Included in the total personnel of 1876 are approximately 260 assigned to Quartermaster activities; 45 assigned to Signal activities; 164 assigned to Medical activities; 54 assigned to Finance activities; and 30 assigned to Ordnance activities.

4. Attention is specifically invited to the fact that base services are furnished by this station to 15 activities outside the station. Among the outside activities is England General Hospital located at Atlantic City which has a total population of approximately 7500 people. The full list of outside activities is contained in Table III of inclosure 1.

5. This station is charged with the policing of Atlantic County. There are approximately 180 people performing police and guard duties.

6. In recent weeks the personnel have been taxed beyond normal by the handling of Combat Crews returned from overseas for leave and/or furlough. Upon receipt or dispatch of each of these shipments, it has been necessary for some personnel to work from 18 to 20 hours without

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relief to expedite movement of these Combat Crews. This has been particularly true of Finance, Special Orders, Transportation, Supply, and Housing personnel. In addition to normal activities in handling of these crews, all enlisted personnel must be issued summer uniforms before departing on furlough and such uniforms withdrawn prior to overseas shipment. This issue and withdrawal of uniforms is handled by enlisted personnel normally engaged in supply activities with the returnee squadron.

7. The AAF Personnel Distribution Command is replacing all personnel qualified for overseas duty as rapidly as possible. It is anticipated that this replacement will not accelerate due to increase in quota of ground specialist on rotation. (Incl. 3)

8. The overhead personnel at this station is not believed to be excessive when the following factors are considered:

a. Returnees, as a rule, have few or no personnel records and as a result each returnee's personnel records or service records must be reconstructed within a short period of time.

b. Returnees returning who have not received pay for long periods of time, as one instance a returnee enlisted man who had not been paid for thirteen months and the remarks on his payroll filled almost one sheet of the payroll.

c. That in addition to Station and allied activities the Finance personnel disburses all payrolls for not only the permanent party and patients at England General Hospital, but also for the Nurses School which has a turnover of about 150 a month and also pays travel pay for the Nurses School and patients at the Hospital.

d. That the entire Army telephone system is operated by the Redistribution Station which includes services for the Hospital and other Army installations in the vicinity of Atlantic City.

e. The upkeep and maintenance of all motor vehicles for all Army installations in the vicinity of Atlantic City.

f. The rate of turnover of returning personnel through the Redistribution Station and the resultant factor, the requirement for qualified personnel who can perform the work efficiently and with dispatch.

g. The housing and housekeeping connected with the handling of such a flow of returnees.

The command has assigned 91% of its bulk allotment of military personnel and 80% of its civilian. It is thoroughly awake to the need for personnel economy and we are convinced will operate with minimum personnel wastage. Any practicable reduction in personnel will be made immediately.

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9. Attached hereto are four inclosures giving pertinent data relative to the AAF Personnel Distribution Command as a whole, as it existed prior to 1 June 1944.

DONALD WILSON
Brigadier General, U.S.A.
Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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1. Tables I thru V, re AAFPDC.
2. Mat Flow Over Next 4 Mos.
3. Outline of AAFPDC Prog., w/Occupa. Guide.
4. Pers. Reqrmts for Oper of Redis Program.

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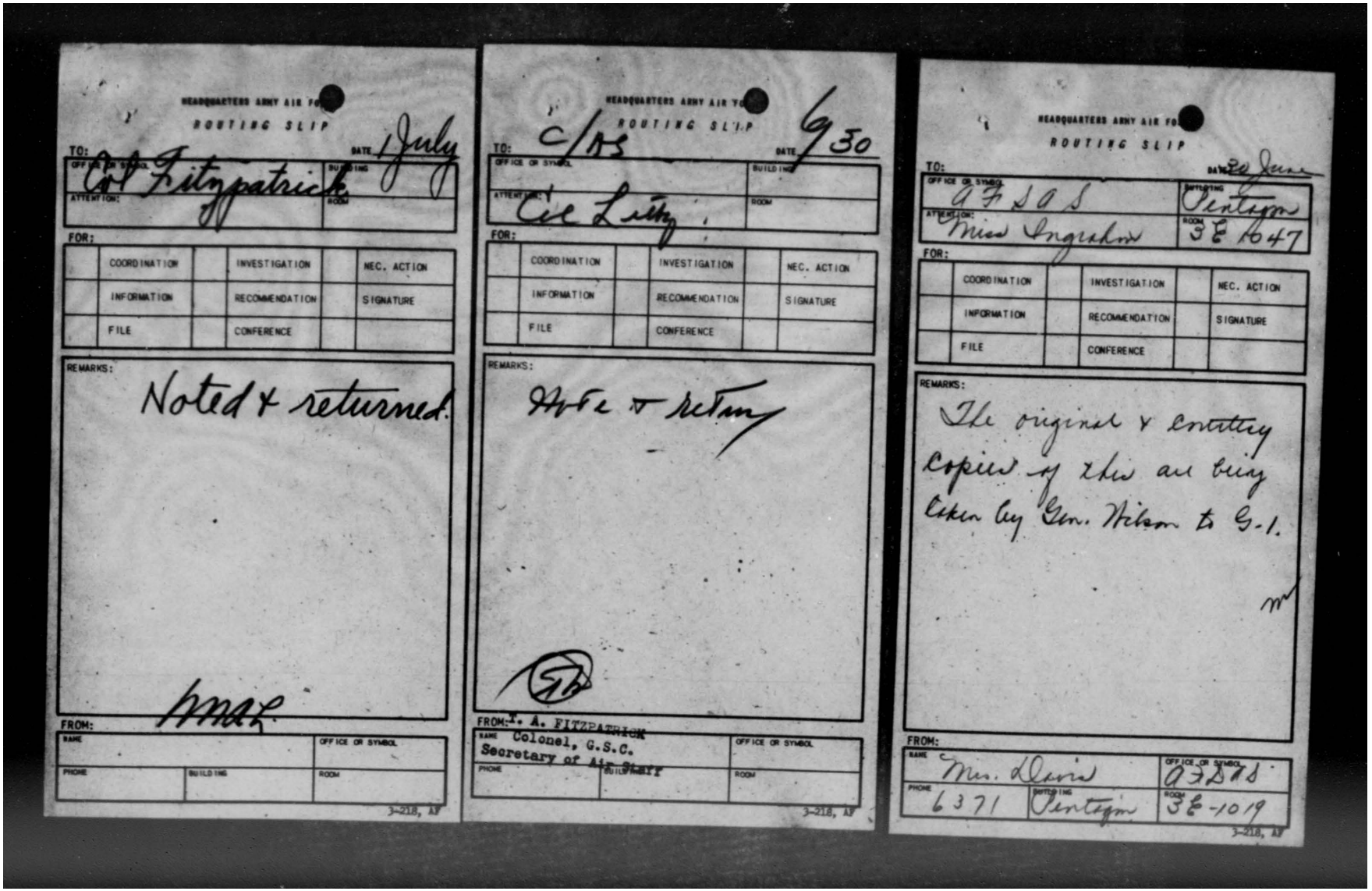

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Students from returned combat crews	3,000	Instructors' Schools and conversion to pilots.
Pilot Reserve	7,000	Time lag in training system delays results of reductions in pilot production. This reserve permits maximum RTU utilization.
Officer students in Training Command	9,000	Transition training, Radar etc. not provided in T/B.
CCTS (RTU) Training & all pipelines	3,000	RTU now larger in T/B than required but pipelines provided are inadequate.
Total Increase	33,500	
Decrease:		
Overseas Replacement Trainees, etc.	-3,000	T/B authorization larger than required for ground officer replacement.
Net Total	30,500	

4. These adjustments are necessary if the Army Air Forces is to continue training under its present policies of commissioning pilots upon graduation from advanced flying school and giving returned combat personnel leave and adequate treatment. The Army Air Forces have already reduced pilot training from a rate of approximately 93,000 per year in January 1944 to 40,000 per year for the class beginning training July 1944. Further reduction would not be reflected in the December 1944 officer requirement.

5. The pilot reserve is equal to about one month's flow of officers in combat crews. This strength corresponds to a sixty-day probable loss and is considered necessary as a partial substitute for a reserve of AAF combat units.

II. Action recommended

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the Army Air Forces Troop Basis be modified substantially

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28 June 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attention: G-1 and G-3 Divisions)

Subject: Officer Requirements of the Army Air Forces.

I. Discussion

1. Reference is made to the following:

a. AAF memorandum for the Chief of Staff (Atten: G-1 Division) subject: "Officer Requirements of the Army Air Forces for 1944", dated 15 May 1944.

b. AAF Memorandum for the Chief of Staff (Atten: G-3 Division) subject: "Troop Basis", dated 8 June 1944.

2. The Army Air Forces is completing a detailed analysis of requirements for personnel undergoing training and in the necessary pipelines from basic training centers to overseas theaters. In reference 1b. above, the advance results of this analysis were described. Because of the lower attrition rates adopted by the Army Air Forces in April 1944, a substantial saving in students was possible. With this savings, Army Air Forces requested that certain units be added to the Troop Basis. Many of these units had been requested by WDGS, Operations Division to be provided within the strength authorized the Army Air Forces on December 1944 by the Troop Basis. The Army Air Forces desires that the presently authorized total Army Air Forces strength for December 1944 be rearranged as shown in Tab A. For convenience, the strengths of the categories proposed have been compared with those now provided in the 1 April 1944 revision of the Troop Basis. In order to permit making the Troop Basis an instrument of control, Air Forces has prepared TAG letters that will authorize student strengths as well as bulk allotments to each domestic Air Force and Command.

3. Approval by the Chief of Staff of the revised AAF authorization is required because the officer strength is approximately 30,000 larger than now authorized although the enlisted strength is correspondingly less. This increase as of 31 Dec. 1944 is divided approximately as follows: (See also Tab B)

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as recommended in Tab A and that the officer ceiling be raised accordingly.

2. That if the action recommended in II herein requires an increase in the officer ceiling of the Army as a whole, such an increase be provided.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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Tabs A
and B.

BARNEY M. GILES,
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Chief of the Air Staff.

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ARMY AIR FORCES TROOP PROGRAM
SUMMARY

	31 May 1944					30 June 1944				
	Officers	Nurses	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men	Aggregate	Officers	Nurses	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men	Aggregate
COMBAT AND COMMUNICATIONS ZONE UNITS AND ALLOTMENTS										
Combat Air Forces	89,610	0	2,994	351,235	443,839	92,197	0	3,007	364,074	459,278
Air Corps Services	27,040	0	867	203,971	231,878	28,226	0	920	215,111	244,257
Service Units (ASWAAF)	14,230	669	1,260	299,431	315,590	14,272	669	1,261	300,042	316,244
Miscellaneous Operating Personnel	13,570	0	813	154,644	169,027	13,580	0	814	155,227	169,621
Replacements and Students	75,267	0	804	370,023	446,094	74,417	0	1,236	352,980	428,633
Rotational Policy	940	0	0	14,060	15,000	940	0	0	14,060	15,000
Air Commando - - Combat Cargo Project (Units not activated)	1,057	0	51	8,663	9,771	1,669	0	81	13,674	15,424
Personnel Required for Additional Units (WDGS approval pending)	0	0	0	0	0	89	0	9	1,188	1,286

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ARMY AIR FORCES TROOP PROGRAM

SUMMARY

15 June 1944

31 May 1944					30 June 1944					31 December 1944				
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89,610	0	2,994	351,235	443,839	92,197	0	3,007	364,074	459,278	92,288 (90,236)*	0 (0)	3,004 (2,938)	364,373 (318,783)	459,605 (427,957)
27,040	0	867	203,971	231,878	28,226	0	920	215,111	244,257	33,286 (34,672)	0 (0)	1,011 (990)	232,201 (263,663)	266,498 (299,325)
14,230	669	1,260	299,431	315,590	14,272	669	1,261	300,042	316,244	14,286 (13,986)	669 (669)	1,261 (1,237)	300,411 (292,978)	316,627 (308,810)
13,570	0	813	154,644	169,027	13,580	0	814	155,227	169,621	13,599 (13,514)	0 (0)	814 (867)	155,679 (160,450)	170,092 (175,231)
75,267	0	804	370,023	446,094	74,417	0	1,236	352,980	428,633	73,576 (48,230)	0 (0)	1,242 (412)	264,850 (316,182)	340,368 (364,824)
940	0	0	14,060	15,000	940	0	0	14,060	15,000	940 (940)	0 (0)	0 (0)	14,060 (14,060)	15,000 (15,000)
1,057	0	51	8,663	9,771	1,669	0	81	13,674	15,424	1,669 (0)	0 (0)	81 (0)	13,674 (0)	15,424 (0)
0	0	0	0	0	89	0	9	1,188	1,286	882	0	86	11,809	12,777

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Rotational Policy	540	0	0	14,060	15,000	540	0	0	14,060	15,000
Air Commando - - Combat Cargo Project (Units not activated)	1,057	0	52	8,663	9,772	1,669	0	81	13,674	15,424
Personnel Required for Additional Units (WDGS approval pending)	0	0	0	0	0	89	0	9	1,188	1,286
Subtotal - - Combat and Communications Zone Units and Allotments	221,734	669	6,792	1,402,887	1,631,199	225,399	669	7,328	1,416,356	1,649,761
ZONE OF THE INTERIOR UNITS AND ALLOTMENTS										
Units Required in T/E Establishments	2,289	255	308	21,530	24,382	2,235	255	311	21,400	24,201
Units under Hq AAF on Foreign Assignment	433	0	65	3,426	3,924	433	0	65	3,426	3,924
Bulk Allotment Required in T/E Establishments	109,980	5,033	3,473	614,527	732,963	108,685	4,926	3,485	597,404	714,580
Bulk Allotment Required for AAFS on Foreign Assignment	3,051	0	49	31,688	34,788	3,051	0	49	31,688	34,788
Subtotal - - Zone of the Interior Units and Allotments	115,693	5,288	3,895	673,171	796,057	114,404	5,181	3,910	653,918	777,493
Proposed Grand Total Army Air Forces										
Required Adjustments - - Overages and Shortages	-68,116	-438	-183	-68,777	0	-68,184	-484	-1,033	-65,918	0
PRESENT TROOP BASIS GRAND TOTAL - - ARMY AIR FORCES	335,311	5,519	10,504	2,005,285	2,427,256	(335,619)	(5,166)	(10,205)	(2,006,255)	(2,427,236)

* Present Troop Basis authorizations shown in parentheses.

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SUMMARY

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	27,040	0	867	203,971	231,878	28,286	0	929	215,313	244,957	33,286 (34,672)	0 (0)	1,813 (990)	230,201 (263,663)	266,300 (299,325)
	14,230	669	1,260	299,431	315,590	14,272	669	1,251	300,640	316,844	14,286 (13,986)	669 (669)	1,251 (1,237)	300,431 (298,978)	316,687 (314,810)
	13,570	0	813	154,614	169,027	13,580	0	814	155,287	169,681	13,599 (13,914)	0 (0)	814 (867)	155,679 (160,450)	170,092 (175,231)
	75,267	0	804	370,023	446,094	76,417	0	1,236	352,980	428,633	73,576 (68,230)	0 (0)	1,262 (1,112)	264,850 (316,182)	340,368 (384,824)
	540	0	0	14,060	15,000	540	0	0	14,060	15,000	540 (540)	0 (0)	0 (0)	14,060 (14,060)	15,000 (15,000)
...ed)	1,057	0	52	8,669	9,778	2,669	0	82	13,674	15,424	2,669 (0)	0 (0)	82 (0)	13,674 (0)	15,424 (0)	
...ending)	0	0	0	0	0	89	0	9	2,168	2,266	888 (0)	0 (0)	96 (0)	11,888 (0)	12,777 (0)	
	222,714	669	6,792	1,402,997	1,631,192	235,390	669	7,388	1,416,355	1,659,781	230,386	669	8,122	1,357,057	1,596,311
	2,289	855	308	21,530	24,382	2,235	855	311	21,400	24,801	2,235	855	285	20,672	23,447
	433	0	65	3,486	3,984	433	0	65	3,486	3,984	433	0	65	3,486	3,984
	109,980	5,033	3,473	614,527	732,963	108,695	4,986	3,485	597,484	714,580	108,520	4,847	3,330	555,474	672,731
	3,052	0	49	31,688	34,788	3,052	0	49	31,688	34,788	3,052	0	49	31,688	34,788
	115,683	5,888	3,895	673,171	796,037	114,415	5,841	3,910	653,098	777,464	114,238 (111,208)	4,847 (5,185)	3,729 (3,119)	612,260 (588,287)	735,074 (707,799)
											344,685	5,351	11,908	1,969,317	2,331,261
	-22,116	-438	-483	-22,737	0	-5,484	-484	-1,031	-25,484	0	-20,598	-1,496	-2,387	-36,395	0
...E FORCES	315,281	5,450	10,904	2,055,435	2,427,216	(315,000)	(5,165)	(10,895)	(2,056,955)	(2,427,216)	(314,325)	(3,855)	(9,521)	(2,097,422)	(2,331,281)

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Category	9-1 Troop Basis (April 1944)	AAF Revised Req.	Difference
Combat Air Forces	90,236	93,286	+ 3,050
Air Corps Services	34,272	33,132	- 1,140
Service Units (formerly ASWAAF)	13,926	14,515	+ 589
Misc. operating personnel	13,584	13,707	- 207
Sub-Total	152,748	155,040	+ 2,292

(Note: Approval of 13 Glider Squadrons for SWPAC will increase this number by 281 officers and 365 Warrant Officers.)

XI units and allotments	111,590	114,281	+ 2,691
Ground Rotational Policy	940	940	0
Replacements and Students			
Administration Personnel	250	6,213	+ 5,963
Overseas Replacement Trainees	4,900	1,200	- 3,300
Students in Training Command	3,539	12,500	+ 8,961
Returned Combat Crews (Training Cmd. system)	0	1,618	+ 1,618
(Instructors Schools)	0	1,455	+ 1,455
Pilot Reserve in Training Command	0	7,373	+ 7,373
Outbound from Training Command	0	5,089	+ 5,089
Inbound to OCTS	0	5,084	+ 5,084
OCTS Students under Instruction		(25,527)	
Outbound from OCTS	99,941	(3,440)	- 6,777
Enroute overseas and at POE		(4,007)	
Sub Total Repl. & Students	48,230	73,576	+25,346
Grand Total	313,448	343,777	+30,329

(1) At time of calculating the AAF revised Requirement, the Outbound from Training Command and Inbound to OCTS covered a period of 1 1/3 months' flow. A subsequent AAF policy has the effect of throwing practically all of these two pipeline factors into Inbound to OCTS.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF AIR STAFF:

Subject: AAF Officer Requirements.

I. Discussion

1. Reference is made to the following:

a. AAF memorandum for the Chief of Staff (Att: G-1 Division), subject: Officer Requirements of the Army Air Forces for 1944, dated 15 May 1944.

b. AAF memorandum for the Chief of Staff (Att: G-3 Division) subject: Troop Basis, dated 8 June 1944.

c. WDGAP 320.21, Memorandum for the Chief of Staff, subject: Officer Strength in the Troop Basis, dated 11 May 1944 and approved by Deputy Chief of Staff 19 May 1944.

d. Memorandum for the Chief of Staff, (Att: G-1 and G-3 Divisions), subject: Officer Requirements of the Army Air Forces. (attached).

2. War Department General Staff approval of the attached Army Air Forces memorandum is necessary to provide the Army Air Forces the officer authorization it will require on 31 December 1944. The increased requirement is due to transition training, the rehabilitation program, a pilot reserve, and other factors but can be provided without increase in Army Air Forces total authorized strength because of a savings in students possible from adoption of reduced staff planning factors. A rounded summary of officer increases required and their causes follow:

Category	Increase	Reason
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Total Increase	33,500	
Decrease: Overseas Replacement Trainees, etc.	-3,000	T/B authorization larger than required for ground officer replacement.
Net Total	30,500	

3. In reference 1a, (of which the Army Air Forces has no official knowledge), the Deputy Chief of Staff approved an increase of officer authorization for the Army Ground Forces and Army Service Forces but decreased that of the Army Air Forces by approximately 8,000. This action was approved by the Deputy Chief of Staff on 19 May 1944 but is not yet reflected in the Troop Basis. It is highly desirable the WDGS act on the increased authorization herein requested before the above decrease is published.

4. The above memorandums have been discussed at a conference at which representatives of WDGS G-3 and AAF were present. G-1 was opposed to the increase if it (1) represented upgrading of jobs formerly performed by enlisted men, (2) represented an AAF effort to provide officer vacancies not actually required because of probable actual officer surplus. G-1 has disapproved an AAF request made in reference 1a. to transfer returning officers to the inactive reserve who are least able to perform a second combat mission. Both G-1 and G-3 are inclined to disapprove the pilot reserve strength requested. The authorization requested represents a real requirement and can be proved in detail.

II. Action recommended

1. It is recommended that the attached memorandum to the Chief of Staff be approved and forwarded for War Department General Staff approval.

Incl.
Memo to the C/S Off Req. of the AAF w/ Tabs A & B.

WILLIAM F. McKEE
Colonel, Air Corps
Acting, Asst Chief of Air Staff,
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28 June 1944

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DONALD WILSON,
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TO: General Giles

FROM: General Harper

Date 16 June 1944
Comment No. 2
JHP:bw 4702

1. The contents of basic communication have been noted by this office.

ROBERT W. HARPER
Major General, U.S.Army
Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training

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It is suggested that Management Control should be directed to examine the organizational setup with respect to program planning and recommend an organization or method of procedure which will require a central program planning agency to coordinate and recommend action on all basic production programs both personnel and materiel. After the basic program is coordinated and approved through this system, the several divisions of the staff should remain responsible for devising their own programs which would provide the necessary auxiliaries or components required. For example: Training Division would secure approval for a program to produce B-29 crews; thereafter Training Division would produce the individual members of such crews in accord with the approved schedule. M.M.&D. would secure approval for the production of helicopters and thereafter would proceed to coordinate the procurement of CFE to meet this program without further reference to the central program control agency.

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1. With respect to Comment No. 3, this office calls attention to the fact that a strong central program agency already exists within OCAR. The basic regulation on the Organization of the AAF, AAF Regulation, 20-1, defines the responsibility of OCR for balanced program planning. The publication of Management Control entitled "Organization and Functions AAF" spells out in detail the responsibility of each staff office under all existing regulations and Headquarters Office Instructions. In establishing the Office of Deputy for Program Control within OCAR in September 1943, (now held by Advisor for Program Control), it was the intention of both Management Control and OCAR to implement the basic regulations and much has already been accomplished.

2. Some of the difficulties enumerated in the memorandum from the Advisor for Program Control are in the process of correction as indicated in paragraph 2, comment No. 1.

3. This office believes that the regulation on Military Personnel which defines the relationships of OCAR, Personnel and Training (AAF Regulation 35-36) is fundamentally sound and requires at best only a minor change or two.

4. The series of AAF Memorandums 150-1 through 150-17 on Program Planning are out of date and either should be corrected for changes in AAF organization and for omissions in procedure, or they should be formally rescinded.

5. Neither the AAF Regulation 35-36 nor the supporting AAF Memorandums, 150-1 through 150-17 have covered the proceddres for handling replacement combat crew problems. It is in this area that there is undefined responsibility between AC/AS, Personnel and AC/AS, Training. The Advisor for Program Control is prepared to recommend that the Allocations Branch of AC/AS, OCAR transmit the requirements for crews to AC/AS, Training, who, in turn, specifies the Air Force or Command in which these crews will be produced and in turn transmits this information to AC/AS, Personnel, Military Personnel Division for approval of personnel requirements and manning, and to the Air Forces or Commands for their own planning purposes.

6. It is recommended that the Organization Planning Division, Management Control be requested to review with the Advisor for Program Control the possible slight revisions of AAF Regulation 35-36 and the revisions or rescission of AAF Memorandums 150-1 through 150-17 and coordinate its recommendations with all offices concerned.

H. A. Craig
Major General, U. S. Army
Asst. Chief of Air Staff
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Gen Craig
Prepare reply
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SUBJECT: Bombing Research Unit.

TO : Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

1. It is urgently recommended that Headquarters Army Air Forces take immediate steps to authorize activation of a skeleton organization for the Bombing Research Unit to operate in this theater.

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6. In view of the enormously growing pressure of detail pertaining to this project, it is necessary that this individual be available immediately, if we are to avoid having it start off under handicaps.

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OFFICER GRADES

	Brig. Gen.	Colonel	Lt. Colonel	Major	Captain	TOTALS
Deputy Director	1					1
EXECUTIVE						
Executive Director		1				1
Asst. Executive				1		1
ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH						
Administrative O., Chief			1			1
Asst. Administrative O.					1	1
TARGET ANALYSIS BRANCH						
Air Force Operations O., Chief		1				1
Intelligence Officers			1	1	2	4
Air Force Arm. & Ord. Officer			1			1
Signal Communications Officer				1		1
Engineer Officer				1		1
Chemical Warfare Officer				1		1
GENERAL EVALUATION BRANCH						
Air Force Films O., Chief		1				1
Intelligence Officers			1	2	1	4
Army Ground Force Officer			1			1
Surgeon				1		1
TOTALS:	1	3	5	8	4	21

ENLISTED RATINGS

	M/ Sgt.	Tech. Sgt.	Staff S.	Sgt.	TOTALS
Sergeant Major	1				1
Stenographers		1	2		3
Typists				2	2
Draftsman		1		1	1
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TO: AC/AS - Intelligence

DATE 3 July 1944

FROM: Chief of the Air Staff

COMMENT NO. 2
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1. Recommendations contained in paragraphs 1 and 2, Comment No. 1, approved.

2. It is directed that officers who are not qualified for overseas duty be used in the staffing of the Interrogation Units at Atlantic City and Miami Beach when the latter is established. Thought should also be given to the using of returnees on the work of the units.

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BARNEY M. GILES
Lieutenant General, U. S. A.
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Rotation of Units Through the Fourth Antiaircraft Command

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Deputy Chief of Air Staff, Brigadier General Donald Wilson — 14 June 44
AC/AS, Training, Brigadier General R. W. Harper
AC/AS, O.C.A.R. (ATTN: Colonel Wm. F. McKee) — 1
AC/AS, Plans (ATTN: Colonel L. M. Guyer) — Colonel Reybold/ea/71405

FROM: Special Asst for Antiaircraft

The attached memorandum received from Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, War Department General Staff, is forwarded for the information of each of the above mentioned agencies and return to this office.

Signed

M. K. DeCHELMANN
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy Special Asst for Antiaircraft

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-3 WAR DEPARTMENT:

Subject: Rotation of Units Through the Fourth Antiaircraft Command.

I. In compliance with memorandum WDGCT 660.2 (27 Apr 44), subject as above, 27 April 1944, the following study is submitted.

II. The Commanding General, Army Ground Forces, has informed this headquarters that he does not consider rotation of units through the Fourth Antiaircraft Command desirable and it is understood that he is submitting a memorandum to that effect. Therefore, it has not been possible to coordinate planning of this problem.

III. Discussion.

1. The Fourth Antiaircraft Command will have a ceiling strength of 8400 for the six months' period beginning 1 July 1944. Under the present status this pool of manpower is lost insofar as potential overseas employment is concerned. However, if these units are placed in a state of readiness for combat and then used to help fill overseas commitments, being replaced in succession by units from training centers, this manpower becomes actively integrated in the war effort. Such rotation of units through this command will preserve ability to perform assigned defense missions and make available an active strategic reserve of first-class troops ready to go to war in lieu of second-grade troops held on a purely defensive mission in the zone of the interior.

2. The troops at present in the Fourth Antiaircraft Command are experienced in that they have operated as organized units for a relatively long period. The officers and non-commissioned officers are well grounded in their duties and responsibilities. This has resulted in exceptionally well-disciplined organizations. The units have suffered a loss in morale and consequent efficiency due to their relatively static employment over a long period of time and to the belief that they were apparently destined to remain on that status for the duration of the war. A rotation of units as proposed would eliminate both of these factors and raise morale to a high level.

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3. a. A previous War Department policy, since discontinued, placed limited service personnel in units on duty in the defense commands. As a result, there are in the present strength of over 12,000 in the Fourth Antiaircraft Command, approximately 5 per cent of the enlisted personnel who are unfit for overseas service. Consequently, enlisted personnel will be required to replace such individuals left in units to be retained in this command and additional personnel will be necessary to bring the units to table of organization strength, inasmuch as these units are now organized less basics.

b. Approximately 28 per cent of the commissioned personnel in units now assigned are over-age in grade or professionally unqualified for further service. War Department policy at present prohibits a general transfer of qualified officers from units to be returned to the Army Ground Forces to the units to be retained in this command. However, action has been initiated to eliminate and replace a part of the officers in these categories in the units to be retained.

c. The total requirements in manpower to bring this command to full strength on an acceptable physical standard is 97 officers and 1457 enlisted men, an aggregate of 1554. However, this is more than offset by the saving of 8134 (8400 less 266, headquarters and training overhead) in that this personnel, in units, becomes available for overseas assignment. Under the present status they are not available for such assignment. In addition, 108 officers and 341 enlisted men not qualified for overseas service will be made available for other assignment.

4. a. The troops of the Fourth Antiaircraft Command have been operating in combined air defense for an extended period. Due to the static nature of the defense requirements of the category of defense that previously existed, these units have had insufficient training in mobile field operations. A complete new program of training for this command is now being prepared, incorporating the latest training doctrines and standards as published by the Antiaircraft Command. There is also being included all phases of combined antiaircraft—air force training. Troops will be withdrawn from static defense positions, a maximum of 50 per cent of the time, to receive mobile field training in areas close enough to these positions to permit timely return in case of a threat in conformance with present category of defense requirements.

b. Adequate firing ranges and maneuver area exist within reasonable distance of the defense positions. All requirements for target practice and refresher firing, field training and combined training essential to maintain units at a high level of gunnery training and readiness for active operations can be met.

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e. Overseas experience has demonstrated the necessity for constant on-the-site training of antiaircraft artillery units deployed in combat positions. The majority of units heretofore dispatched overseas have had little experience in such training. The program contemplated for the Fourth Antiaircraft Command will provide field maneuver and combined training under mobile conditions with the balance of the training time devoted to on-the-site instruction.

5. At the present time, both mobile and semi-mobile battalions are assigned to the Fourth Antiaircraft Command. No special problem will result from the rotation of units of either type through this command. The desired combined training of mobile organizations with Army Ground Forces units could be obtained prior to such rotation.

6. Preparation of units for overseas movement is essentially a function of command. The Army Air Forces is prepared to accept the responsibility for the final processing of the battalions rotated through the Fourth Antiaircraft Command. Past experience in the preparation of antiaircraft artillery searchlight battalions indicates that no great difficulty will be met in the discharge of this responsibility.

7. The rotation of units as discussed above will delay in no way the commitment and shipment of antiaircraft artillery battalions overseas.

IV. Recommendations.

1. It is recommended that antiaircraft artillery units be rotated through the Fourth Antiaircraft Command in conformance with the following plan:

a. Under the ceiling strength of 8,400, establish the following units at full Table of Organization strength:

1 AA Command Hq & Hq Battery	131
1 AAA Brigade Hq & Hq Battery	71
3 AAA Group Hq & Hq Battery	213
3 AAA Gun Battalions	1977
4 AAA Automatic Weapons Battalions	3332
3 AAA Searchlight Battalions	2541
Firing range details	135
	8400

b. Reduce the ceiling of the Fourth Antiaircraft Command to 266 (AA Command Hq & Hq Battery and firing range details) plus antiaircraft artillery units present on a rotational basis.

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e. Establish an effective antiaircraft artillery defense of important installations on the West Coast in conformance with the existing category of defense and within the means made available.

d. Prepare units listed in a. above for overseas service. This preparation is to include the various types of training discussed in Section III and the administrative procedures necessary to ready these units for combat.

e. Commit the units to overseas theaters upon completion of steps a. through d. The initial units will be ready for commitment four months after being brought to Table of Organization strength.

f. Upon commitment of a unit, arrange with Army Ground Forces for replacement with a similar units that has completed its unit training program. It is immaterial whether these organizations are mobile or semi-mobile.

g. Repeat the cycle outlined in steps e. through f. Subsequent to the preparation of the units initially in the Fourth Antiaircraft Command, an organization should complete the cycle in three months.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces

/s/ [illegible]

BARNEY M. GILES
Lieutenant General, U.S.A.
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Unsatisfactory Status of Combat Crews

Commanding General, Fourth Air Force,
180 New Montgomery Street, San Francisco, California.

1. Recent reports from ports of aerial embarkation, flyaway stations, authorized intermediate stations in the United States and representatives of this Headquarters, indicate that the processing and movement of combat crews has been unsatisfactory. The following are some of the deficiencies so reported:

a. Discipline of Fourth Air Force crews at Morrison Field, Robins Field, Abilene Army Air Field, Kingman Army Air Field, Sky Harbor Airport and Fairfield-Suisun Army Air Field as reported by the Commanding Officers thereat, has been, without exception, poor. Crew commanders appeared to be unwilling or unable to exercise the proper authority or control over their crews at ports of aerial embarkation and enroute thereto.

b. The Commanding Officer at Sky Harbor Airport, Phoenix, Arizona, states that there have been frequent instances of gambling in barracks between officers and enlisted crew members at that station.

c. Personnel records arrive at the Port of Aerial Embarkation, Fairfield-Suisun Army Air Field in poor shape. Similarly, it has been noted that certain technical orders on aircraft had not been complied with.

d. Airplanes reported to the Air Transport Command as ready for departure at Hamilton Field (Fourth Air Force Staging Area) are not actually ready when scheduled.

e. Difficulty is experienced in assembling crews at Hamilton Field (Fourth Air Force Staging Area) at the scheduled time.

f. At Morrison Field it was necessary to take disciplinary action under the 104th Article of War in approximately thirty-three (33) cases since 1 January 1944. Control of crews by crew commanders was reported to be exceptionally poor at this station by the Commanding Officer.

g. Crews at Warner Robins Field were disorderly, both on the station and in the neighboring civilian community.

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2. Personnel for combat crews come to your Command fr m the same initial training sources from which personnel is provided for the other air forces which are producing crews that are up to standard. This Headquarters requires that all crews be dispatched in the proper condition and that at least the present minimum standards be maintained.

3. While some improvement has been effected in the past two weeks, it is desired that drastic action be taken to correct the inadequate organization and the existing deficiencies in the preparation and movement of combat crews to overseas theaters, and that report of remedial action taken be rendered this Headquarters at the earliest possible time.

By command of General ARNOLD:

Signed

HARVEY M. GILES,

Lieutenant [illegible], U. S. Army

Chief of the Air Staff.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF: (Attention A. C. of S., G-3)

Subject: Army Air Forces Requirements for Chemical Warfare Units.

I. Discussion

1. Chemical Companies, Air Operations are required to service Army Air Forces combat units with chemical bombs and agents. The number of these companies to satisfy the requirements of Air Forces combat units was estimated in the Troop Basis of 1 September 1942, to be ninety-nine (99) companies.

2. This number was reduced in the Troop Basis of 15 January 1944, to forty-five (45) Chemical Companies, Air Operations, forty-three (43) of which are now overseas.

3. At the present time there are active in the United States portions of nine (9) Chemical Companies, Air Operations and three (3) Chemical Depot Companies, Avn. Some of these units have been absorbed in bulk allotments and are operating as units on a provisional basis within some of the domestic Air Forces. These units are scheduled to be entirely disbanded in compliance with War Department Troop Basis.

4. Estimates of the needs of the Army Air Forces combat units in the Pacific Theater, as of 1 July 1944, indicate that at least twenty-three (23) Chemical Companies, Air Operations and four (4) Chemical Depot Companies, Aviation, in addition to the companies at present included in the overseas Troop Basis, will be needed if all-out chemical warfare should break out in the Pacific.

5. A minimum period of six (6) months after manning date is required before a Chemical Company, Air Operations can be considered sufficiently trained for movement overseas.

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6. It is pointed out that it is not wise to attempt to calculate the probability of chemical warfare breaking out at any time in any theater. It is the risk that lies in unpreparedness that must be calculated. The disbandment of the nine (9) Chemical Companies, Air Operations and the three (3) Chemical Depot Companies, Aviation, makes no future provision within the Continental United States for a nucleous upon which any companies could be organized. It is the considered opinion of the Army Air Forces that this situation will place the Army Air Forces in an unwarranted state of unpreparedness. We are prepared to enforce on domestic units a cut in their ZI allotment sufficient to provide for these units.

7. In order to utilize trained personnel now available, the present Troop Basis authorization for 45 Chemical Companies, Air Operations should be increased to fifty-two (52) and the present Troop Basis authorization of eighteen (18) Chemical Depot Companies, Air Operations should be increased to twenty (20). Seven (7) of the Chemical Companies, Air Operations and three (3) Chemical Depot Companies should be committed to the Very Heavy Bomb Program as these units will be in the position to undertake effective retaliatory operations. Changes in the Troop Basis necessary to provide the above within the AAF ceiling strength should be deducted from ZI allotments.

II. **Action recommended**

1. That the action described in Paragraph 7. above be approved.

For the Commanding General

PATRICK W. TIMBERLAKE
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of Air Staff

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Army Air Forces Requirements for Chemical Warfare Units.

Secretary of Air Staff 6 May 1944

AC/AS Operations, Commitments & Requirements 1

1. Request that the attached Memorandum for the Chief of Staff be signed and forwarded.

2. Approval in principle was given by General Arnold to General Montgomery and General Hall on 29 April 1944 and this Memorandum is necessary to carry out General Arnold's directive.

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Prop memo for C/S

WILLIAM F. McKEE
Colonel, Air Corps
Acting, Asst Chief of Air Staff,
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DECLARATION FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Augmentation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That each of the following units be augmented by one (1) Captain, Squadron Surgeon, by the Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, at the earliest practicable date:

Hq & Hq Sq, 6th Service Group
Hq & Hq Sq, 29th Service Group
Hq & Hq Sq, 351st Service Group

1. Total authorized strength of each unit will be twenty-nine (29) officers and one hundred thirty-six (136) enlisted men.

II. That the Hq & Hq Sq, Thirteenth Air Force, be augmented by one (1) Lieutenant Colonel, Inspector General's Department, by the Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, at the earliest practicable date. Total authorized strength of this unit will be one hundred twenty-two (122) officers, eleven (11) warrant officers and four hundred ninety-four (494) enlisted men.

III. That the Hq & Hq Sq, XIII Air Force Service Command be reorganized, augmented and equipped by the Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, at the earliest practicable date in accordance with T/O and T 1-400-1R, dated 16 Oct 1943 and Changes 1 and 2, modified as follows:

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Column 16		2	1	3
Column 31		1		8
Column 10, Lines 3 and 23	(Col)	1		
Column 18, Lines 3 and 93	(Col)	1		
Column 20, Lines 3 and 23	(Col)	1		
Column 23, Lines 3 and 96	(Col)	1		
Column 26, Lines 2 and 108	(Col)	1		
Column 28, Lines 3 and 133	(Col)	1		
Column 9, Lines 4 and 34	(Lt Col)	1		
Column 10, Lines 4 and 34	(Lt Col)	1		
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Enlisted	(Grade)	Officers	Wife	Wife
Column 13, Lines 4 and 36	(1st Sgt)	1		
Column 14, Lines 4 and 39	(1st Sgt)	2		
Column 15, Lines 4 and 34	(1st Sgt)	1		
Column 19, Lines 4 and 140	(1st Sgt)	1		
Column 21, Lines 4 and 113	(1st Sgt)	1		
Column 27, Lines 4 and 128	(1st Sgt)	1		
Column 28, Lines 4 and 134	(1st Sgt)	1		
Column 9, Lines 5 and 40	(Major)	1		
Column 11, Lines 5 and 40	(Major)	1		
Column 12, Lines 5 and 40	(Major)	1		
Column 13, Lines 5 and 40	(Major)	1		
Column 14, Lines 5 and 40	(Major)	2		
Column 15, Lines 5 and 31	(Major)	3		
Column 17, Lines 5 and 89	(Major)	1		
Column 21, Lines 5 and 114	(Major)	1		
Column 24, Lines 5 and 104	(Major)	1		
Column 27, Lines 5 and 129	(Major)	1		
Column 28, Lines 5 and 135	(Major)	1		
Column 8, Lines 6 and 41	(Capt)	1		
Column 9, Lines 6 and 41	(Capt)	2		
Column 13, Lines 6 and 41	(Capt)	1		
Column 14, Lines 6 and 41	(Capt)	8		
Column 15, Lines 6 and 32	(Capt)	3		
Column 17, Lines 6 and 90	(Capt)	1		
Column 19, Lines 6 and 143	(Capt)	1		
Column 24, Lines 6 and 106	(Capt)	1		
Column 25, Lines 6 and 110	(Capt)	1		
Column 26, Lines 6 and 120	(Capt)	1		
Column 9, Lines 7 and 42	(1st Lt)	1		
Column 13, Lines 7 and 42	(1st Lt)	1		
Column 14, Lines 7 and 42	(1st Lt)	2		
Column 15, Lines 7 and 33	(1st Lt)	8		
Column 17, Lines 7 and 91	(1st Lt)	1		
Column 24, Lines 7 and 106	(1st Lt)	1		
Column 27, Lines 7 and 131	(1st Lt)	1		
Column 28, Lines 7 and 137	(1st Lt)	1		
Column 29, Lines 8 and 38	(2nd Lt)	1		
Column 30, Lines 8 and 43	(2nd Lt)	1		
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Column 8, Lines 10 and 44	(W.O.)		1	
Column 14, Lines 10 and 46	(W.O.)		1	
Column 15, Lines 10 and 34	(W.O.)		1	
Column 17, Lines 10 and 145	(W.O.)		1	
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Column 9, Lines 13 and 48	(T/S)			1
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	(Grade)	Officers	Enls	Enls
Column 9, Lines 15 and 80	(Sgt)			2
Column 9, Lines 16 and 56	(Cpl)			1
Column 9, Lines 16 and 65	(Cpl)			1
Column 15, Lines 18 and 62	(Pvt)			1
Column 17, Lines 15 and 80	(Sgt)			1
Column 17, Lines 16 and 51	(Cpl)			1
Column 21, Lines 16 and 51	(Cpl)			2
Column 21, Lines 18 and 52	(Pvt)			1
Column 24, Lines 14 and 156	(S/Sgt)			1
Column 27, Lines 18 and 172	(Pvt)			1
Column 29, Lines 15 and 80	(Sgt)			1
Column 29, Lines 18 and 52	(Pvt)			2
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Column 17½, Statistical Section
Line 197, Major
Line 198, Captain
Line 199, 1st Lieutenant
Line 200, Tech Sgt
Line 201, Staff Sgt
Line 202, Sgt
Line 203, Cpl

Column 17½, Lines 8 and 197	(Maj)	1	
Column 17½, Lines 6 and 198	(Capt)	1	
Column 17½, Lines 7 and 199	(1st Lt)	1	
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Column 26, Lines 4 and 1081	(Lt Col)	1	
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Column 21, Lines 13 and 49	(T/Sgt)		1
Column 21, Lines 14 and 49	(S/Sgt)		2
Column 17½, Lines 13 and 200	(T/Sgt)		1
Column 17½, Lines 14 and 201	(S/Sgt)		1
Column 17½, Lines 15 and 202	(Sgt)		2
Column 17½, Lines 16 and 203	(Cpl)		1
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ASSIGNATION of VHF Installation and Maintenance Personnel

SSN	T/Sgt	S/Sgt	T/5	T/4	T/5	Total
961	3	3	3	3	4	16
960	3		3	6		12
081				3	3	6
078				3	3	6
	6	3	6	15	10	40

1. Total authorized strength of this unit will be one hundred twenty (120) officers, thirteen (13) warrant officers and three hundred sixty-eight

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(568) enlisted men.

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IV. That, on or about 15 May 1944, the 1st Radar and VHF Installation and Maintenance Unit (Avn) be reduced by six (6) officers and forty (40) enlisted men in grades as listed under augmentation in Paragraph III. Now authorized strength of this unit will be one hundred thirty-three (133) Officers and one thousand four hundred nineteen (1419) enlisted men.

V. That the following units be redesignated, reorganized and equipped by the Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, at the earliest practicable date, as indicated:

Present Designation	New Designation	T/O & E	STRENGTH Off	WO	EM
Hq, 18th Ftr Gp, SE	Hq, 18th Ftr Gp, TE	No change	(37)	(1)	(70)
67th Ftr Sq, SE	67th Ftr Sq, TE	1-37, 22 Dec	31	0	276
68th Ftr Sq, SE	68th Ftr Sq, TE	43, with	31	0	276
70th Ftr Sq, SE	70th Ftr Sq, TE	Changes 1	31	0	276

VI. That seven (7) Finance Officers at Large be authorized the Thirteenth Air Force in grades as indicated:

Captain 3
1st Lieutenant 2
2nd Lieutenant 2
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1. All of the Lieutenants will be shipped from the United States while the Captains will be furnished from sources available to the theater commander.

VII. That personnel and equipment be provided to the fullest extent from sources under the control of the Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

VIII. That a report be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming these actions.

IX. That the Commanding General, South Pacific Area, be notified of this action by radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

X. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

1 MAY 1944

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NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
G-3, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is taken on the following communications:

(1) R&R from ACAS, OC&R, Commitments Division, dated 6 April 1944, subject "Request for Retention of Squadron Surgeon in Service Groups".
(2) R&R from ACAS, M&AD, Service Organization Branch, dated 14 April 1944, subject "Organization of Inspection Activities in Thirteenth Air Force" -
Cable, New Caledonia, N-7036, dated 3 April 1944
Letter from Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force, dated 1 February 1944, subject "Request for Authority to Reorganize under T/O 1-400-38".
Letter from Headquarters, XIII Air Force Service Command, dated 3 February 1944, subject "Organization of Inspection Activities in Thirteenth Air Force"
(3) R&R from ACAS, OC&R, Commitments Division, dated 19 April 1944, subject "Installation and Maintenance Personnel of VHF Equipment for Thirteenth Air Force"
(4) R&R from ACAS, OC&R, Commitments Division, dated 12 April 1944, subject "Finance Officers at Large for Thirteenth Air Force"
(5) R&R from ACAS, OC&R, Commitments Division, dated 17 April 1944, subject "Conversion of Fighter Squadrons in Thirteenth Air Force from Single Engine to Two Engine Tables of Organizations" -
Cable, WARX 22348, 13 April 1944

The effect of these reorganizations and augmentations is as follows:

		Present Strength				New Strength				
		Off	WO	EM	Total	Off	WO	EM	Total	
Hq & Hq Sq, 6th Serv Gp	Auth	28	0	136	164	29	0	136	165	1
Hq & Hq Sq, 29th Serv Gp	Auth	28	0	136	164	29	0	136	165	1
Hq & Hq Sq, 321st Serv Gp	Auth	28	0	136	164	29	0	136	165	1
Hq & Hq Sq, Thirteenth AF	Auth	121	11	494	626	122	11	494	627	1
Hq & Hq Sq, XIII AFSC	Auth									
	Assgd	66	7	220	293	130	13	368	501	208
Finance Off, at Large (in Troop Basis)		1	0	6	7	7	0	0	7	
67th Ftr Sq, TE	Assgd	51	0	247	298	51	0	276	327	29
68th Ftr Sq, TE	Assgd	51	0	247	298	51	0	276	327	29
70th Ftr Sq, TE	Assgd	51	0	247	298	51	0	276	327	29
		425	18	1869	2312	489	24	2098	2611	299
						425	18	1869	2312	
						64	6	229	299	

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This increase is not in the 1 April 1944 Troop Basis but can be provided as indicated:

	Off	WO	EM	Agg
Deletion of Prov Bomb Flight - P S, L 46	8	0	12	20
Savings from AI Bomber & XI Ftr Comds			88	88
Reduction in 1st Radar & VHF Maint Unit			40	40
Portion of savings from deletion of Base Hq & AB Sq in 13th AF Troop Basis			87	87
Savings from deletion of 4 Engine Overhaul Sqs (undeployed)	14	11	39	64
	22	11	286	299

Theater requested XIII Air Force Service Command to be reorganized under T/O 1-400-38 which was not possible as this T/O was never processed beyond the advanced copy stage by this Headquarters and no T/O is in existence. Theater then agreed to use T/O and E 1-400-15. Special requests for augmentation of Inspector General's Department and Statistical Section have been incorporated in reorganization. Six Finance Officers have been substituted for six Finance enlisted men at verbal concurrence of Lt Colonel Daniel, G-3, W.D.G.S. The six Officers in Paragraph VI. are included in reduction of authorized strength of this unit as they represent one 1st Lieutenant (4402) recently added to 922nd Signal Company, Depot, Aviation, and five 1st Lieutenants (7866) added to 905th Signal Company, Depot, Aviation, for which no covering adjustment was made. Reason: To provide theater with personnel authorization sufficient to perform necessary functions of inspection, finance, medical and servicing activities in respective Commands. Equipping the three Fighter Squadrons, Single Engine, with P-38's has necessitated redesignating and reorganizing them as Fighter Squadrons, Two Engine, under T/O and E 1-37.

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Chart Showing Units Assigned to Joint Air-Ground Training

Chief of the Air Staff

14 March 1944

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Training

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Attached hereto is a chart showing the proposed organization, within the Third Air Force, of the air units to be employed in joint air-ground training. This chart was drawn up hurriedly, in compliance with your request to General Stearley, and does not show the stations and the strengths in officers and enlisted men as will a more complete chart to be drawn up when final action has been taken.

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Chart of Units asgnd
to Jt. A/G Training.

ROBERT W. HARPER,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Assistant Chief of Air Staff,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Disbandment, Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 322 (9 Mar 44) OB-I-AFPE-M, dated 18 March 1944, subject as above, be amended by deleting paragraph 4.g. and substituting therefor the following:

"g. Radar Reporting Platoons, Team C, T/O & E 11-400, will operate either fixed type radar or mobile type radar in permanent locations, hence, note "f" of paragraph 7, Section II, General, T/O & E 11-400, 1 March 1944, will apply."

II. That the Theater Commander be notified of this action by radio by the Adjutant General giving file designation of published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCES:
OPD, WDGS ( )
G-3, WDGS ( )

REMARKS FOR RECORD: This action is pursuant to RAS from AGAS, OCR (Fighter and Air Defense Branch) dated 20 April 1944, Comment No. 1, Subj: "Amendment to War Department letter." Reason: To clarify original letter and refer to the proper note on the T/O & E.

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26 APR 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of the 390th Signal Company, Avn.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 390th Signal Company, Avn. be redesignated as the 390th Signal Company, Avn (Sp).

II. That confirmation of this redesignation be given the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General, by letter without delay.

III. Air Service Required.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces, Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

CONCURRENCES:
CWD, WDGS ( )
G-3, WDGS ( )

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is taken pursuant to informal request from Air Communications Office, Organizations Division (Personnel Branch). Reason: To give this unit "Special" designation in that it is a Signal Company, Avn, constituted and activated under a Signal Service Organization T/O & E 11-500.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Grades and Ratings for the 1st Composite Squadron, Special

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That grades and ratings for officers and enlisted men as shown on attached guide be authorized the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in the South Atlantic for use of the 1st Composite Squadron, Special, now organized under T/O 1-7773, dated 1 November 1942, with Change 1, dated 1 July 1943, at a reduced strength of twenty-eight (28) officers and one hundred forty-five (145) enlisted men as authorized in letter AG 322 (6 Dec 43) OR-I-E-M, dated 9 February 1944, subject "Reorganization (Troop Tables for U.S.A.F.S.A.)".

II. That equipment is authorized in accordance with T/E 1-7773, dated 4 June 1943 and Change 1, dated 18 August 1943, in proportion to strength cited in Paragraph I.

1. Surplus equipment will be absorbed in theater stocks for use in filling current or future shortages.

III. That a report be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming this action.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in the South Atlantic
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Action taken on 5th indorsement to basic letter from Troop Basis Division, AGAS, OCA, dated 11 March 1944, subject "Reorganization (Troop Basis for U.S.A.F.E.A.)" to establish proper grades and ratings for this unit since strength has been reduced to twenty-eight (28) officers and one hundred forty-five (145) enlisted men. Reason: This information is necessary to Headquarters, Army Air Forces and other War Department agencies concerned with supplying personnel and equipment for this organization. This action involves no change of the 1 April 1944 Revision of the WDGS G-3 Troop Basis.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

AFHPG/Maj Reed/gtn/71089
4/19/44

Subject: Amending Certain War Department Letters.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 322 (10 Feb 44) [redacted], dated 14 February 1944, subject: "Redesignation and Reorganization of the 376th Bombardment Group (Heavy)," be amended as follows:

1. By striking from the subject the figures "376" and inserting in lieu thereof the figures [redacted].

2. By striking from Paragraph 1.a. the following:

Present Designation	New Designation
Hq, 376th Bomb Group (Heavy)	Hq, 376th Bomb Group (Pathfinder)
512th Bomb Sq (Heavy)	512th Bomb Sq (Pathfinder)
513th Bomb Sq (Heavy)	513th Bomb Sq (Pathfinder)
514th Bomb Sq (Heavy)	514th Bomb Sq (Pathfinder)

in lieu thereof, substitute the following:

Hq, [redacted] Bomb Group (Heavy)	Hq, [redacted] Bomb Group (Pathfinder)
[redacted] Bomb Sq (Heavy)	[redacted] Bomb Sq (Pathfinder)
[redacted] Bomb Sq (Heavy)	[redacted] Bomb Sq (Pathfinder)
[redacted] Bomb Sq (Heavy)	[redacted] Bomb Sq (Pathfinder)

3. Strike from the note to the deleting portion of paragraph 1, the following:

"512th Bomb Sq (Heavy)" and insert in lieu thereof the [redacted] Bomb Sq (Heavy).

II. That letter AG 322.2 (22 Feb 44) [redacted], dated 6 March 1944, subject: "Authorization of Combat Crews for Bombardment Squadrons (Heavy)" be amended as follows:

1. By striking from Paragraph 1, "524, 525, 526," and inserting in lieu thereof [redacted].

2. By striking from Paragraph 4, "512, 513, 514" and inserting in lieu thereof [redacted].

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III. That the designation of the following units be as hereinafter set out any previous designation to the contrary not withstanding:

No. 97th Bomb Group (Heavy)
413th Bomb Sq (Heavy)
414th Bomb Sq (Heavy)
415th Bomb Sq (Heavy)
416th Bomb Sq (Heavy)

IV. The new authorized strength of the foregoing organizations will be as follows:

Unit	Authorized Strength OFF	EM	Crews
413th Bomb Sq (Heavy)	118	432	24
414th Bomb Sq (Heavy)	118	432	24
415th Bomb Sq (Heavy)	118	432	24
416th Bomb Sq (Heavy)	118	432	24
324th Bomb Sq (Pathfinder)	108	457	21
325th Bomb Sq (Pathfinder)	108	457	21
326th Bomb Sq (Pathfinder)	108	457	21
327th Bomb Sq (Heavy)	118	432	24

V. The Theater Commander will be notified of this action by secret radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

VI. Obligate the appropriate allotments published in Section VI, Circular #139, W.D., dated 1 June 1943, to the extent necessary.

VII. Confirmation of the foregoing changes will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General.

VIII. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces Mediterranean Theater of Operations
(Same as original two letters)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD. This action is pursuant to MAR from AG/AS, OCAB, Commitments Division, dated 12 April 1944, Comment #1, Subj: "Redesignation of the 434th Bomb Group & Three Squadrons (836th, 838th & 839th) as Pathfinder." Action is in accordance with message AL2826 from CG, AAF/WDC, dated 11 April 1944, and reply thereto, dated 11 April 44, made by AGAS, OCAB, Commitments Division and concurred in by AFDPO and OPD (Colonel R. Hubbard). Request To comply with request of the Theater Commander. Request has been made to have Theater Commander notified of this action by radiogram by the Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation, Disbandment of Certain Units and Allotment of Personnel to Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the Headquarters, Army Airways Communications System Wing, now stationed at Asheville, North Carolina, and assigned to Headquarters, Army Air Forces, be redesignated Headquarters, Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, without change of station or assignment.

II. That certain units be disbanded by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, on or before 15 May 1944, as follows:

Zone of Interior Units

Hq Sq, Army Airways Communications System Wing

1368th Guard Squadron (Redwood)

1st Overseas Processing Squadron, AACS
2nd Overseas Processing Squadron, AACS

1st Regional Control Headquarters, AACS
1st Army Airways Communications Squadron

2nd Regional Control Headquarters, AACS
2nd Army Airways Communications Squadron

3rd Regional Control Headquarters, AACS
3rd Army Airways Communications Squadron

4th Regional Control Headquarters, AACS
4th Army Airways Communications Squadron

21st Regional Control Headquarters, AACS
21st Army Airways Communications Squadron

22nd Regional Control Headquarters, AACS
22nd Army Airways Communications Squadron

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23rd Army Airways Communications Squadron

Foreign Units

Alaskan Airways Communications Area Headquarters (AACS)

Asiatic Airways Communications Area Headquarters (AACS)

Pacific Airways Communications Area Headquarters (AACS)

African Airways Communications Area Headquarters (AACS)

South Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters (AACS)

North Atlantic Airways Communications Area Headquarters (AACS)

European Airways Communications Area Headquarters (AACS)

Regional Control Headquarters, AACS, and Army Airways Communications Squadrons

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1. Personnel and equipment will be absorbed in other units under the control of the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces.

2. In lieu of Zone of Interior units and Foreign units, AAF Base Units, identified and organized under the provisions of letter, Office of The Adjutant General, AG 322 (21 Feb 44) OB-I-AFRPC-M, dated 23 February 1944, Subject: "Organization of Army Air Forces Base Units", will be organized by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, to the extent necessary for administration and operation of Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces. The provisions of cited letter are hereby amended to include AACS personnel operating in overseas theaters.

3. AAF Base Units organized by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, will be numerically identified within the following block of numbers: 75 thru 99, which is a portion of the block reserved for use by Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

4. Paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of Section I of War Department Circular #24, dated 18 January 1944, will be complied with.

5. Confirmation of disbandments, dates and stations of organization and discontinuances of all AAF Base Units will be reported

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to The Adjutant General and the Commanding General, Army Air Forces.

III. That, effective 15 May 1944, all previous authorizations of personnel to Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, are hereby rescinded. An allotment of personnel consisting of six hundred fifteen (615) officers, thirteen (13) warrant officers and five thousand one hundred nineteen (5,119) enlisted men is made to Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, for administration and operation of the functions of the Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, for all domestic activities. An allotment of personnel consisting of three thousand fifty-one (3,051) officers, forty-nine (49) warrant officers and thirty-one thousand six hundred eighty-eight (31,688) enlisted men is made to Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, for administration and operation of the functions of the Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, for all foreign activities.

1. Officer and enlisted grades will be in accordance with Tables of Distribution to be published separately.

2. The Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, is hereby authorized to continue sub-authorizations by grade and specification serial numbers to Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, units under his control insofar as such sub-authorizations are within the overall allotment indicated in paragraph III, above, pending publication of Tables of Distribution.

3. The Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, will submit to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Management Control, a complete list by Arm or Service, job descriptions and specification serial number for the personnel in the overall allotment authorized in paragraph III, above.

4. Twenty copies of the orders issued by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division. No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
CINC, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force

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Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces, Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Rear Echelon
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Forward Echelon
Commanding General, Caribbean Wing, ATC
Commanding General, North Atlantic Wing, ATC
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Middle East
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

V. That five (5) copies of Letter, Office of The Adjutant General, AG 322 (21 Feb 44) OB-I-AFRG-M, dated 23 February 1944, Subject: "Organization of Army Air Forces Base Units", be forwarded to each command notified as result of this action.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCES:
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested by R&R from Air Communications Officer, Communications Systems Division, dated 10 April 1944, Subject: "Redesignation and Reorganization of Army Airways Communications System Wing" and is necessary for proper administration, operation and performance of the functions of Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, in the continental limits of the United States and outside the continental limits of the United States. This action is necessary due to the fact that a bulk allotment of personnel to Army Airways Communications System, Army Air Forces, will permit a flexible scale upon which to operate to provide adequate communication service in accordance with requirements of theater commanders. The published Army Air Forces Troop Basis puts a ceiling of 3,134 officers, 16 warrant officers and 31,907 enlisted men for overseas theaters and 631 officers, 10 warrant officers and 5,119 enlisted men for zone of interior. The bulk allotment for Foreign units is a decrease of 83 officers and 219 enlisted men and an increase of 33 warrant officers. The bulk allotment for Zone of Interior units is a decrease of 16 officers and an increase of 3 warrant officers with enlisted men remaining constant.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization and Augmentation of the 905th Signal Company, Depot, Avn

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 322 (5Feb 44) OB-I-AFEPG-M, dated 10 February 1944, subject as above, be amended as follows:

1. By striking from paragraph 1 the following

"less five (5) officers, 1st Lieutenants (7866)"

2. By striking from paragraph 2 the following:

"twelve (12) officers"

and substituting in lieu thereof:

"Seventeen (17) officers"

so that the total authorized strength of this Signal Company, Depot, Avn will be seventeen (17) officers, one (1) warrant officer and two hundred fifty-six (256) enlisted men.

II. Confirmation of augmentation will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General.

III. That the Theater Commander will be notified of this action by secret radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

IV. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

20 APR 1944
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Signed

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCES:
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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL: This action is taken pursuant to MSR from AGAS, OCAR, Commitments Division, Comment #4, dated 3 April 1944, subject: "Reorganization and Augmentation of the 203th Signal Company Depot (Avn)." Reason: To provide one officer for each of the ten teams provided for under Column 8, T/O 11-207, which are needed because of the geographical distribution of these teams. It is also to comply with the request of the theater commander. This action is informally concurred in by AFPC, WDGS (Colonel Maddux and Colonel Long). The increase of five officers can be provided for by deducting that number of officers from the 1st Radar and VHF Installation and Maintenance Unit (Avn). This action will, therefore, be accomplished within the 1944 approved AAF Troop Basis.

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Reorganization and Augmentation of the 905th Signal Company Depot (Avn)

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TO: AC/AS, OC&R, Troop Basis Division

DATE: 3 Apr 1944

FROM: AC/AS, OC&R, Commitments Division

COMMENT NO. 4
Lt Col Marlburt/mhd/4698

1. For necessary action in accordance with Inclosure No. 1.

2. It is requested that the 905th Signal Company Depot (Avn) in the South Pacific Theater be authorized full officer strength, that is — one (1) officer for each of the ten (10) teams authorized under Column 15 of T/O 11-287.

3. OPD, WDGS (Colonel Maddux, Ext. 73426, and Colonel Long, Ext. 74669) have informally concurred in this request.

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T. L. MOSLEY
Colonel, Air Corps

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20 APR 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Authorization of Additional Combat Crews for Bombardment

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That, effective immediately, theater commanders concerned be authorized eight (8) additional combat crews (Column 32) of T/O and E 1-137, dated 28 March 1944, for each Bombardment Squadron, Light, listed below:

a. Total authorized strength of each of the following units with augmented strengths will be forty-five (45) officers and two hundred fifty-five (255) enlisted men:

8 13 84 85 86 89 90 97 386 387
388 389

b. Total authorized strength of each of the following units with augmented strengths will be forty-five (45) officers and two hundred sixty-one (261) enlisted men:

640 641 642 643 644 645 646 647 668 669 670 671

c. Total authorized strength of each of the following units with augmented strengths will be forty-five (45) officers and two hundred fifty-nine (259) enlisted men:

672 673 674 675

1. Personnel for these augmentations will be furnished by the theater commanders concerned from sources under their control with replacements requisitioned in the normal manner. Such combat crew personnel as is rendered surplus will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition.

2. Equipment will be furnished from theater stocks in accordance with T/O and E 1-137, dated 28 March 1944 with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming these actions.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force

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Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
S-3, W.D.G.S. ( )

20 APR 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with paragraph 11 of memorandum for the Chief of Air Staff, subject "Unit Equipment for Medium and Light Bombardment Groups", dated 22 March 1944, to increase combat crews of twenty-one per Squadron in order to coincide with increase in units equipment which is to be made shortly (64 units per Group plus a 50% reserve). Reason: To bring previous authorization of combat crews in line with plans in the 1944 AAF Troop Basis and the Army Air Forces program. The Troop Basis is affected as follows:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
In Troop Basis	1344	7532
Requested herein, 12 X 45 Off, 255 EM	540	3060
12 X 45 Off, 261 EM	540	3132
4 X 45 Off, 259	180	1036
	1260	7228
Balance in Troop Basis	84	304

This balance has been allocated to a special project which has been approved by the Chief of Staff.

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28 FEB 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation of the 663rd Army Band

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 663rd Army Band be redesignated as the 663rd Army Air Forces Band.

1. All band personnel shall be air corps.

2. Confirmation of redesignation will be reported to The Adjutant General, without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, North Atlantic Wing, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCES:
OPD, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is taken in order that all Army Air Forces Bands may be redesignated in accordance with letter AG 322 (14 Jan 44) OB-I-WDGCT-M, dated 8 February 1944, Subject: "Constitution, Activation or Redesignation of Certain Army Bands".

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Reorganization of the 20th Army Airways Communications Squadron

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 20th Army Airways Communications Squadron be reorganized and equipped by the Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing, at the earliest practicable date in accordance with T/O & E 1-447, dated 23 December 1943, to operate Regional Control Headquarters and Squadron Headquarters in addition to the following classes of stations and sections:

Communications Stations:	Total Authorized Strength		
	Off	WO	EM
Class A 19			
Class B 1	151	1	1734
Class C 7			
Class D 14			
Class E 4			
Class R 30			
Class RT 5			
Class Z 3			
Class I 98			
Class T 7			

Cryptographic Sections:

Class I 8
Class II 15
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1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Filler personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

3. The date of reorganization will be reported without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division and The Adjutant General.

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II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Army Air Forces
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Pacific Wing, Air Transport Command
CINC, U.S. Pacific Fleet
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Dispatched 25 FEB 1944 AAG

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCES:
OPD, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested by R&R, dated 28 Jan 1944 from Air Communications Office, Communications System Div., Subject: "Reorganization of 20th Regional Control Hqs, AACS and 20th Army Airways Communications Squadron". This action is necessary to provide additional personnel and equipment so adequate communications services can be furnished in accordance with requirements of the theater commander. The reorganization is an increase of 53 officers and 787 enlisted men. Personnel is within the AAF approved Troop Basis. Copies of station lists and correspondence are forwarded for OPD's information.

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Maintenance Personnel

Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Personnel 2-28-44

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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General Giles directs that no further action be taken at this time on this paper.

WILLIAM E. HALL,
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff.

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Activation of B-29 Reconnaissance Squadron and Organization of Photo-Mapping Sq.

General Craig. 27 March 1944

Chief of the Air Staff. 1

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1. General Arnold has directed the activation of a B-29 Reconnaissance Squadron. He also directed that we activate at once a long-range B-17 or B-24 Photo-Mapping Squadron to be used in the Pacific Theater. I believe that the B-17 can be used for this purpose to a better advantage than the B-24's since most of this work will be done at altitudes.

2. It is directed that orders issue calling for the modification of approximately twelve (12) B-17's or B-24's for photo mapping. For further details see me.

BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

AFAAA
22 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Integration of Antiaircraft with Army Air Forces.

1. The following figures set forth the enlisted strength troop basis for antiaircraft artillery and for the army as a whole at various dates.

TROOP BASIS	AAA	TOTAL T/B	%
1941	81,489	1,418,097	5.7
1942 Aug 41	85,696	1,800,000	4.8
1942 Jan 42	169,464	3,600,000	4.7
1943 Feb 43	592,295	7,533,000	7.9
1943 Jul 43	540,414	7,004,000	7.7
1943 4 Oct 43	427,832	7,032,000	6.1
1944 31 Oct 43	448,128	6,930,000	6.5
1944 Dec 43	412,382	6,955,000	5.9
1944	402,249	6,955,000	5.8

2. The indecision of the War Department as to the amount of antiaircraft artillery required is evident. So far as known, the opinion of your office as to these amounts (of AAA) has never been asked. No effort has apparently been made, either in the War Department or in most theaters, to plan requirements of air defense as an Air Force—Antiaircraft effort. The inevitable result has been revisions downward of antiaircraft strengths as Air Force operations have reduced enemy capabilities of aerial attack.

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3. The results of this vacillation have been:

a. The mobilization, partial or complete training and later demobilization of: (Data from 1944 W.D. troop basis)

Units	Approximate Strength
9 AA Brig Hq & Hq Btrys 45 AA Gp Hq & Hq Btrys 31 Battalions (net reduction) 16 Misc. Units (net reduction)	29,000 officers and men

b. Wide fluctuations in the numbers of officer candidates being trained for AA units.

c. The training of many AA officers in excess of needs. Approximately 6000 have already been transferred to duty outside the AA because in excess of requirements.

d. Unnecessary congestion of AA training centers during much of 1943 to the detriment of training.

e. The formation of excess cadres for troop units and their later dispersion.

f. Initial withdrawal of many competent coast artillery officers from staff duty in all echelons of the Army Ground Forces and Army Service Forces and a later attempt to place considerable numbers of such officers in such staff positions.

g. A great loss in effective manpower, money, and war-making potential due to misdirected effort, a lowering in quality of AA units, and a very serious blow to the morale of AA officers.

4. The magnitude of the savings that would have been actually effected had the antiaircraft been integrated with the Air Corps during the above period is not capable of precise statement. However, it can hardly be questioned that, had the responsibility for air defense planning been centralized in the Air Forces, a major part of the above inefficiency in the conduct of the war would have been avoided.

H. R. OLDFIELD
Major General, U. S. Army
Special Asst for Antiaircraft

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation, Reorganization and Disbandment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That letter AG 322 (17 Feb 44) OR-I-AFHPG-M, subject as above, dated 19 February 1944, be amended as follows:

1. By deleting paragraph 1.a. and substituting therefor the following:

1. a. The following units are redesignated and will be reorganized as indicated without change of station, at the earliest practicable date, in accordance with T/O & E 1-1027, dated 26 January 1944:

Present Designation	New Designation	Priority Rating	Reorganized by CG and Assigned to:
139th Sig Rad Int Co	2d Rad Sq, Mobile (G)	C-1-669	Third Air Force
982d Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	4th Rad Sq, Mobile (G)	C-1-670	Third Air Force
140th Sig Rad Int Co	6th Rad Sq, Mobile (J)	B-1-184	Fourth Air Force
987th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	7th Rad Sq, Mobile (J)	C-1-672	Fourth Air Force
988th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	8th Rad Sq, Mobile (J)	C-1-673	Fourth Air Force

2. Delete paragraph 2.a. and substitute in lieu thereof the following:

2. a. Concurrently with reorganizations, the following units will be disbanded and personnel thereof assigned as shown pending reassignment as filler personnel in accordance with further War Department or Army Air Forces Orders:

Unit	Disbanded by CG:	Personnel to be assigned to:
986th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	Fourth Air Force	CG, Fourth Air Force
983d Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	Fourth Air Force	CG, Fourth Air Force
984th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	Third Air Force	CG, Third Air Force

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II. That Secret letter AG [redacted] Feb 44) OB-I-AFRPS-M, subject: "Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units," dated 29 February 1944, be amended as follows:

1. By deleting paragraph 1. and substituting therefor the following:

1. The following units are redesignated as indicated and will be reorganized at the earliest practicable date, by Commanders concerned, in accordance with the attached T/O and E 1-1027, 25 January 1944:

Present Designation	New Designation	Assigned to and to be reorganized by CG:
138th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	1st Rad Sq, Mobile (J)	Fifth Air Force
951st Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	3d Rad Sq, Mobile (J)	Eighth Air Force
955th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	5th Rad Sq, Mobile (J)	Tenth Air Force

2. By deleting paragraph 3 thereof and substituting therefor the following:

3. The following units have been authorized for disbandment and personnel thereof assigned as shown pending reassignments as filler personnel in accordance with further War Department or Army Air Forces Orders:

Unit	Personnel to be Assigned to:
953rd Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	CG, Fourth Air Force
954th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	CG, Third Air Force
956th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	CG, Fourth Air Force

III. That the following be notified of this action by Airmail: (Same as original two letters)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

[redacted]

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18 MAR 1944
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H. H. [redacted]
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCE:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with MAR from Air Communications Officer, Organizations Division (Personnel Branch), dated 1 March 1944, subject: "Redesignation, Reorganization and Disbandment of Signal Radio Intell. Co." Reason: To provide for disbandment of the 986th Signal Radio Intelligence Company Avn in lieu of the 149th Signal Radio Intelligence Company because of more advance training in the latter unit. The change in phraseology is to clarify the text of the earlier letters. This letter is sent airmail at the request of the Air Communications Officer.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL 11 MAR 1944

Subject: Constitution, Activation, Disbandment and Reassignment of Certain Army Air Forces Units.

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That, effective immediately, Section "D" be relieved from assignment to the 1st AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Squadron (formerly the 921st QM Boat Co, Avn) and the First Air Force, and be reassigned to the Eastern Defense Command for further assignment to the Bermuda Base Command.

II. That concurrently Section "D" be disbanded by the Commanding General, Bermuda Base Command with personnel and equipment absorbed in other units under his control.

III. That the following units be constituted, assigned to the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command, and further assigned to the Bermuda Base Command, activated, organized and equipped by him in accordance with T/O & E 1-989, 18 December 1943:

Unit	Authorized Strength Off	EO	EM
423rd AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type IV	1	0	3
424th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type V	0	0	3
425th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type V	0	0	3

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Personnel and equipment will be furnished by the Commanding General, Bermuda Base Command from action taken in Paragraph II with replenishments of personnel requisitioned by submission of AAF Forms 127-A and/or 127-B and shortages in equipment requisitioned in the usual manner.

IV. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, and The Adjutant General, without delay, giving stations of activation, and dates of activation and disbandment.

V. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command
Commanding General, Bermuda Base Command
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps

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Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrence:
OPD-WDGS( )
G-3, WDGS( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Action taken on R&R 20 Feb 44 from Management Control, subject: "Reorganization of 921st QM Boat Co (Avn)" which was originally requested by Commanding General, First Air Force as unit is at Kindley Field, Bermuda and therefore outside of his jurisdiction. Marine Section of Requirements Branch, Emergency Rescue Branch concurs. Action taken is within 1944 AAF Troop Basis and is not included in bulk allotment of personnel to the First Air Force. Squadron was disbanded because it is too small to have a Hqs Section. Reason: To place unit under proper command and reorganize under new T/O & E.

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Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Hall)

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General Giles would like for this to be processed ~~and directed~~ direct to General Bissell in the hope that it will get his blessing.

WILLIAM E. HALL
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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21 MAR 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation of Air Support Units

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the units listed be redesignated without change of organization, station assignment or authorized strength:

Present Designation	New Designation
Hq & Hq Sq, IX Air Support Cmd	Hq & Hq Sq, IX Tactical Air Command
Hq & Hq Sq, XII Air Support Cmd	Hq & Hq Sq, XII Tactical Air Command
Hq & Hq Sq, XIX Air Support Cmd	Hq & Hq Sq, XIX Tactical Air Command
926th Sig Bn, Sep, Air Support Cmd	926th Sig Bn, Sep, Tactical Air Command
927th Sig Bn, Sep, Air Support Cmd	927th Sig Bn, Sep, Tactical Air Command
928th Sig Bn, Sep, Air Support Cmd	928th Sig Bn, Sep, Tactical Air Command
929th Sig Bn, Air Support Cmd	929th Sig Bn, Sep, Tactical Air Command
932nd Sig Bn, Air Support Cmd	932nd Sig Bn, Sep, Tactical Air Command
1st Air Support Communications Sq	1st Tactical Air Communications Squadron
2nd Air Support Communications Sq	2nd Tactical Air Communications Squadron
3rd Air Support Communications Sq	3rd Tactical Air Communications Squadron
4th Air Support Control Squadron	4th Tactical Air Communications Squadron
5th Air Support Control Squadron	5th Tactical Air Communications Squadron
6th Air Support Communications Sq	6th Tactical Air Communications Squadron
7th Air Support Communications Sq	7th Tactical Air Communications Squadron
8th Air Support Control Squadron	8th Tactical Air Communications Squadron
9th Air Support Control Squadron	9th Tactical Air Communications Squadron
11th Air Support Control Squadron	11th Tactical Air Communications Squadron
12th Air Support Communications Sq	12th Tactical Air Communications Squadron
17th Air Support Communications Sq	17th Tactical Air Communications Squadron
18th Air Support Communications Sq	18th Tactical Air Communications Squadron

1. The designations of component elements of any organization redesignated herein will conform to the above.

2. Confirmation of redesignation will be reported by letter, without delay, to The Adjutant General, c/o CG, AAF.

II. The TheaterCommanders concerned will be notified by radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

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III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
CINC, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Rear Echelon
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Forward Echelon
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

21 MAR 1944
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CONCURRENCES:

GPD, AMS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action had its inception in AAG dated 14 Feb 1944 from AC/AS, OCAM, Subj: "Redesignation of Air Support Units." Informal conferences have been held with the office of Air Communications Officer (Lt. Colonel Dow and Colonel Heypough) AC/S, G-3 (Colonel Burwell) and Management Control, Organizational Planning Division (Major Lubens). The result of this action is to strike the words "Air Support" from the title of units in which it appears and substitute the words "Tactical Air," to eliminate the word "Control" and substitute therefor "Communications" in names of organization listed. Reason: to more accurately designate the units listed.

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29 FEB 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation of Air Support Units

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the units listed be redesignated without change of organization, station assignment or authorized strength:

Present Designation	New Designation
Hq & Hq Sq, IX Air Support Comd	Hq & Hq Sq, IV Tactical Air Div
Hq & Hq Sq, XII Air Support Comd	Hq & Hq Sq, V Tactical Air Div
Hq & Hq Sq, XIX Air Support Comd	Hq & Hq Sq, VI Tactical Air Div
926th Sig Bn, Sep, Air Support Comd	926th Sig Bn, Sep, Tactical Air Div
927th Sig Bn, Sep, Air Support Comd	927th Sig Bn, Sep, Tactical Air Div
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3rd Air Support Communications Sq	3rd Tactical Air Control Squadron
4th Air Support Control Squadron	4th Tactical Air Control Squadron
5th Air Support Control Squadron	5th Tactical Air Control Squadron
6th Air Support Communications Sq	6th Tactical Air Control Squadron
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8th Air Support Control Squadron	8th Tactical Air Control Squadron
9th Air Support Control Squadron	9th Tactical Air Control Squadron
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12th Air Support Communications Sq	12th Tactical Air Control Squadron
17th Air Support Communications Sq	17th Tactical Air Control Squadron
18th Air Support Communications Sq	18th Tactical Air Control Squadron

1. The designations of component elements of any organization redesignated herein will conform to the above.

2. Confirmation of redesignation will be reported by letter, without delay, to The Adjutant General.

II. The Theater Commanders concerned will be notified by radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

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III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
CINC, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India (Rear Echelon)
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, U. S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India (Forward Echelon)
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

[redacted]

T. A. FITZPATRICK
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Air Adjutant General

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CONCURRENCES:
OPD, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with [illegible] dated 12 February 1944, from AC/AS, OCnB, Subject: "Redesignation of Air Support Units". Informal conferences on this action have been held with the office of the Air Communications Officer (Lt. Col. Dow), AC/S, O-3 (Col. Burwell) and Management Control, Organizational Planning Division (Major Lukens). The result of the action is to strike the words "Air Support" and "Air Support Command" and insert in lieu thereof, names of the organizations containing the terms "Tactical Air" or "Tactical Air Division". The Theater Commanders concerned will be notified by radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

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III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces, Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief Signal Officer
Chief of Ordnance
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Chief of Transportation Corps
Corps of Engineers
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

CONCURRENCE:

OPD, WDGS ( )
G-3, WDGS ( )

28 MAR 1944
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is taken pursuant to R&R from ACAS, NNAF, Service Organization Branch, dated 13 March 1944, Comment #1, Subj: "Augmentation of 1048th Signal Company, Service Group, Central Pacific Area," and Comment #2, same R&R, dated 15 March 1944. The augmentation, as provided for herein, has been informally concurred in by OPD, WDGS (Colonel Robson). As the letter shows, the strength required for the augmentation is deducted from the 1st Radar and VHF Installation and Maintenance Unit (Avn). The augmentation is therefor within the 1944 AAF Troop Basis. Reason: This action taken on request of the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces, Central Pacific Area.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

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Subject: Augmentation of the 1048th Signal Company, Service Group

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the 1048th Signal Company, Service Group be augmented by one (1) Radio Reporting Maintenance Team XCR-827 (Column 13, T/O 11-237, 26 March 1943) minus one (1) officer and plus two (2) enlisted men, making a total augmentation of seven (7) enlisted men, as shown: (Authorized strength 3 officers and 104 EM):

Team Personnel

One (1) T/SGT SSN-953
One (1) T/3 SSN-953
One (1) T/5 SSN-953
One (1) T/4 SSN-013
One (1) T/4 SSN-078

Individual Personnel

One (1) T/Sgt SSN-953
One (1) T/3 SSN-953

1. Upon call, the Commanding General, Air Service Command will furnish from sources under his control the foregoing personnel. Concurrently, the 1st Radar and VHF Installation and Maintenance Unit (Svn) will be reduced accordingly. The new authorized strength of the 1st Radar and VHF Installation and Maintenance Unit (Svn) will be one hundred forty-two (142) officers and one thousand four hundred seventy-four (1474) enlisted men.

2. Enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

3. Obligate the appropriate allotments published in Section VI, Circular #139, W.D., dated 1 June 1943, to the extent necessary.

4. A report of augmentation will be made to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and the Adjutant General without delay.

5. Equipment will be provided to the fullest extent from Theater stocks under T/E 11-237, 16 March 1943, with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

II. The Theater Commander will be notified of this action by secret radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

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AFDAS 320.2

TO: ~~Chief of the Air Staff~~ Secretary

DATE 29 March 1941

FROM: AC/AS, Operations, Commitments & Requirements

COMMENT NO. 2
Gen. Grossetta/3020

Action in compliance with above is being taken.

WILLIAM F. McKEE
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy Asst. Chief of Air Staff
Operations, Commitments & Requirements

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i. Notification to necessary ATUs that they train to meet particular requirements of the European theatre.

(1) The ten (10) weeks course will produce a crew with only 120 hours flying, but should prove adequate to meet the theatre needs.

j. Curtailment of the recently directed transitioning of WASPs to combat type equipment in the Training Command during the next three months in order to implement the accelerated program for training of bombardment and pursuit pilots. The transition program as planned would furnish AT-24, B-26 and fighter training to the WASPs.

(1) This will result in a substantial saving of 91 and 100 octane gasoline.

(2) It will make available aircraft which will be necessary for the training of combat pilots.

3. Request approval of action required in above, (Par. 2) and the continuation of the 80 hour fighter pilot training schedule if accelerated to provide additional short notice demands. (Par. 1)

ROBERT W. HARPER
Major General, Air Corps
Assistant Chief of Air Staff,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL: 31 MAR 1944

Subject: Authorization of Combat Crews for Bombardment Squadrons (Heavy)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (22 Feb 44) OR-L-AFRPG-M, dated 6 March 1944, subject as above, be amended by deleting from Paragraph 2 the following Bombardment Squadrons (Hv):

"3rd 29th 74th 397th".

1. Total strength of each of these Bombardment Squadrons (Hv), without the combat crews, will be sixty-eight (68) officers and three hundred eighty-six (386) enlisted men.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
S-3, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with OPD directive, D/F OPD 320.2 [illegible] (20 Mar 44), subject as above, dated 29 March 1944, based on 1st indorsement from the Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command, dated 20 March 1944, to Adjutant General letter of March 6. This action will result in a decrease of one hundred sixty-eight (168) officers and two hundred eighty-eight (288) enlisted men. Reason: At the present time, the Caribbean Defense Command is undergoing a reduction in forces and a further reduction is about to be directed. Under the circumstances, this augmentation is not desirable.

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30 MAR 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Authorization of Combat Crews for Bombardment Squadrons (Heavy)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (22 Feb 44) OB-L-AFPG-M, dated 6 March 1944, subject as above, be amended by deleting from Paragraph 1 and adding to Paragraph 2 under "Bombardment Squadrons (Hy)" at a strength of one hundred sixteen (116) officers and four hundred fifty-eight (458) enlisted men, the following:

"852 853 854 855 856 857 858 859 860 861 862 863"

1. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming this action.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

[Signature]

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
G-2, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is taken by Troop Basis Division, ACAS, OC&R to correct strength of heavy bombardment squadrons which will be committed with special equipment and personnel for columns 19 and 34 in T/O and E 1-117. This involves an increase of twelve officers and three hundred twelve (312) enlisted men and is within the 1944 AAF Troop Basis. This increase will be taken from pool of radar personnel in the Troop Basis.

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25 March 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF AIR STAFF:

Subject: Increase in Fighter and Bombardment Crews

1. In response to General Arnold's directive of 22 March and General Craig's memorandum of the same date, the following is submitted:

FIGHTER CREWS.

a. Present production estimates.

Month	80 Hours	60 Hours
April	1094 (Actual)	1094
May	835	1113
June	1264	1685
July	1368	1824

We have 2370 instructors, of which 629 are war weary. The remaining 1741 could be committed but would greatly reduce the output beginning in May.

b. Comparison of Aircraft and Crews in U.K. and N. A. Theaters, taken from SGT-55 (Status Fighter Units) as of ~~April 31~~ March 15:

AIRPLANES

	March 15			April 15
	Authorized	On Hand	Over	Authorized
U.K.	2756	3432	676	3938
N.A.	1571	1957	386	1130
				5068 - Which is unit equipment plus 50%.

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	March 15		CREWS	April 15
	Authorized	On Hand	Short	Authorized
U.K.	2752	2590	201	3938
M. A.	2746	2704	42	1130
				5068 - T/O plus 50%

Total pilots required April 15 - 5068

On Hand now and en route - 5254

For additional March Shipment - 1297

For April shipment - 753

Total available April 15 - 7304

Total required April 15 - 5068

Overage: 2236

c. This indicated average should provide the theatre with pilots for available aircraft with allowance for returnee attrition. However, the Air Forces are being directed to increase their flying to not less than five (5) hours per day per flyable airplane. The training system can be expected to produce an additional 1000 pilots on short notice if the following shortages and some of these limitations are made up:

(1) Fighter Aircraft in training.

Type	On Hand	Needed	Short
P-47	1165	1584	419
P-38	224	960	736
P-51	105	960	855
P-39	292	0	—
P-40	401	0	—

Remarks: Use of P-39's as a substitute for P-38's is unsatisfactory.

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25 March 1944

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Using P-40's as a substitute for P-51's is satisfactory.

The aircraft in training are old, especially P-39's and P-38's. There is a low priority on spare parts from the depots. Acceleration of OTU program was done at the expense of RTU's. Therefore, some RTU's are at 25% strength of trained mechanics. There are a lack of hangars and sub-depots.

BOMBARDMENT CREWS

a. Necessary action has been taken to ship 200 B-17 Bombardment crews by 31 March and an additional 200 B-17 crews by 10 April.

b. It is proposed to increase the flow of heavy bombardment crews in accordance with the following schedule:

Total B-17 and B-24

	3 Mos. in RTU		2½ Mos. in RTU		Increase in Output
	Input	Output	Input	Output	
April	1284	827	1960	1387	960
May	1284	906	1456	1104	198
June	1284	967	1736	1685	718
July	1284	1027	1512	1404	377

c. The above increase will be partially accomplished by reducing the training in both the Training Command and the Air Forces as follows:

(1) Accelerate graduation dates of all categories of crew members in order to meet RTU input requirements. Proficiency will be reduced but not below useable standard.

(2) Reduction of RTU training cycle to ten weeks.

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2. The following action is required in order to make this plan operative:

a. Present delivery schedules of B-17 airplanes allocated to training must be maintained, plus an additional allocation of 80 B-17 aircraft for delivery immediately for the Training Command.

b. Delivery to Training of 39 B-24s by 1 April and 153 B-24s by 1 May.

c. Authority to cancel leave for combat crew members when necessary to maintain the personnel input schedule upon which this plan is based.

d. Suspending combined bombardier-navigator training. This means supplying VHB crews with one bombardier-AN Navigator and one precision navigator instead of two bombardier-navigators when the present pool is exhausted. Medium bombardment is also affected by this suspension.

e. Flight delivery of crews may have to be curtailed to permit the staging of the increased flow of crews. It is recommended that this policy be adopted at least until a balanced proportion of planes and crews in the theater is achieved. Staging of crews will be facilitated if aircraft need not be processed.

f. Present allocation of high octane gasoline to Training must be revised to meet the new program.

(1) This may prove more of a limiting factor than anticipated. The Fourth Air Force will be one million gallons short for this month necessitating the limiting of flying training for the last three days of March.

(2) March allocations were 139 million gallons. April allocations are 147 million gallons, or an increase of 8 million gallons which is not commensurate with the proposed increase in flying.

g. Elimination of the present physical education and drill schedule, and elimination of one hour relaxation per day.

h. Utilization of crew members for maintenance of aircraft when necessary.

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Air Cargo and Air Commando Groups

AC/AS, Operations, Commitments and Requirements 4-18-44

Chief of the Air Staff 1

WEM:JT 5246

1. In confirmation of General Arnold's decision this morning it is directed that a high priority be given to activating, organizing, training and dispatching to the Theatre two Combat Cargo Groups and two Air Commando Groups.

2. The remaining two groups in each of these categories will be activated following the dispatch of the first two Combat Cargo Groups and first two Air Commando Groups. Our plans, however, will continue to include four groups of each category.

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BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U.S.A.,
Chief of the Air Staff.

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Air Cargo and Air Commando Groups

AC/AS Operations, Commitments and Requirements 4-18-44

Chief of the Air Staff 1

WEH:JT 5246

1. In confirmation of General Arnold's decision this morning it is directed that a high priority be given to activating, organizing, training and dispatching to the Theatre four Combat Cargo Groups and two Air Commando Groups.

2. The remaining two Air Commando Groups will be activated following the dispatch of the first two.

BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U.S.A.,
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Authorization of Combat Crews for Bombardment Squadrons, Medium

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That letter AG 320.2 (23 Feb 44) OB-I-AFPG-M, dated 6 March 1944, subject "Authorization of Combat Crews for Bombardment Squadrons, Medium", be amended as follows:

1. Change paragraph 1.a. to read "24 combat crews".

2. Change paragraph 1.b. to read "91 officers and 334 enlisted men."

3. Change Paragraph 2.b. to read:

"6 Captains - Pilots
24 1st Lieutenants - 20 Pilots, 4 Bombardier-Navigators)
42 2nd Lieutenants - 24 Pilots, 18 Bombardier-Navigators)
24 Technical Sergeants - Radio Opr Mach-Gun
48 Staff Sergeants - 24 Armorer-Gunners, 24 Ap Mech-Gun

II. That a report be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming this action.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
(Same as original letter)

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with Memorandum for the Chief of Air Staff, dated 22 March 1944, subject "Unit Equipment for Medium and Light Bombardment Groups", which sets unit equipment strength at sixty-four (64) aircraft plus a 50% reserve. Memorandum requests authorization be given Squadrons for sixty-four (64) combat crews, plus 50% or a total of ninety-six (96) combat crews per Group. Separate letter is being processed for publication covering additional equipment. This action is within the 1944 AAF Troop Basis as shown below:

	Officers	Enlisted Men
1944 AAF Troop Basis	7826	28734
Requested herein, 85 X 91 Off, 334 EM	7735	28390
Not augmented, 1 X 67 Off, 310 EM	67	310
	7802	28700

Reason: To establish requirements for training purposes, and a ceiling beyond which excess combat crews will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition or return to the United States.

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The Commanding General
Army Air Forces
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Authorization of Combat Crews and Reorganization of Army Air Forces Units

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That, effective immediately, authorization be given the theater commanders concerned for twenty-three (23) combat crews for each Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron (no additional for liaison planes) now overseas.

1. Total authorized strength of each of the following units will be thirty-nine (39) officers and one hundred ninety-four (194) enlisted men:

12 15 20 107 109 111 118 154

2. Each combat crew will consist of one 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot).

3. In each Flight of six planes the following substitutions will be made:

1 Captain (Pilot)(Flight Leader) in lieu of (1 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot)
3 1st Lieutenants (Pilot) (3 2nd Lieutenants (Pilot)

4. Each Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron will consist of the following grades and classifications for combat crews:

4 Captains - 4 Pilots
11 1st Lieutenants - 11 Pilots
8 2nd Lieutenants - 8 Pilots

II. That, effective immediately, authorization be given the theater commanders concerned for twenty-one (21) combat crews for each Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron overseas or upon arrival thereat.

1. Total authorized strength of each of the following units will be forty-nine (49) officers, one (1) warrant officer and two hundred ninety-seven (297) enlisted men:

8 9 12 13 14 17 21 22 23 25 26 27 28
30 31 32 34 35 36 37 38 39 40

a. Each combat crew will consist of one 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot)

b. In each fourth combat crew, the following substitutions will be made to allow for a Flight Leader:

1 Captain (Pilot) in lieu of (1 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot)

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g. In another combat crew of each Flight of four planes, the following substitutions will be made to allow for a Deputy Flight Leader:

1 1st Lieutenant (Pilot) in lieu of (1 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot)

h. Each Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron will consist of the following grades and classifications of combat crews:

5 Captains - 5 Pilots
5 1st Lieutenants - 5 Pilots
11 2nd Lieutenants - 11 Pilots

2. Total authorized strength of the 33rd Photographic Reconnaissance Squadron will be fifty-four (54) officers, one warrant officer and three hundred two (302) enlisted men.

a. This Squadron will consist of sixteen F-5 combat crews and five A-20 combat crews. The combat crew of the F-5's and the substitutions therein will be the same as in Paragraph II.1.g., h and g above.

(1) Each A-20 combat crew will consist of the following members:

2nd Lt (Pilot) ...	1	S/Sgt (Aerial Photo Gunner	
2nd Lt (Navigator)	1	(939)	1
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(2) In each fourth combat crew the following substitutions will be made to allow for a Flight Leader:

1 Captain (Pilot)	in lieu of	(1 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot)
1 1st Lt (Navigator)		(1 2nd Lieutenant (Nav)

(3) In another combat crew of each Flight of four planes the following substitution will be made to allow for a Deputy Flight Leader:

1 1st Lieutenant (Pilot) in lieu of (1 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot)

b. The 33rd Photo Reconnaissance Squadron will consist of the following grades and classifications of combat crews:

5 Captains - 5 Pilots
6 1st Lieutenants - 5 Pilots, 1 Navigator
15 2nd Lieutenants - 11 Pilots, 4 Navigators
5 Staff Sergeants - 5 Aerial Photo Gunners

III. That, effective immediately, the 20th Combat Mapping Squadron (4-Engine) be reorganized by the Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area in accordance

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with T/O and E 1-768, dated 20 September 1943 and Changes 1 and 2.

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Excess personnel will be absorbed in other units under the control of the Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force.

3. Surplus equipment will be absorbed in theater stocks.

IV. That, ~~concurrently~~, authorization be given the theater commanders concerned for sixteen (16) combat crews for each Combat Mapping Squadron (4-Engine) overseas.

1. Total authorized strength of each of the following units will be seventy-six (76) officers, one warrant officer and three hundred ninety-seven (397) enlisted men:

20 24 86

2. Each combat crew will consist of the following members:

1 1st Lieutenant (Pilot)
1 2nd Lieutenant (Co-Pilot)
1 2nd Lieutenant (Nav-Gunner)
3

1 Tech Sgt (Ap Mech-Gunner, 748)
3 Staff Sgts (Radio Mech-Gunner, 757)
(Aerial Photo Gunner, 939)
(Aerial Photo, 940)
1 Sergeant (Aerial Gunner, 611)
1 Corporal (Aerial Gunner, 611)
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3. In each fourth crew the following substitutions will be made to allow for a Flight Leader:

1 Captain (Pilot)
1 Captain (Navigator)
1 Tech Sgt (Aerial Photo)
1 Staff Sgt (Ap Armorer Gun)

in lieu of

(1 1st Lieutenant (Pilot)
(2 2nd Lieutenants (Navigator)
(1 Staff Sgt (Aerial Photo)
(1 Sgt (Aerial Gunner)

4. In a second combat crew of each Flight of four planes the following substitutions will be made:

1 1st Lieutenant (Navigator)
1 Tech Sgt (Aerial Photo)

in lieu of

(1 2nd Lieutenant (Navigator)
(1 Staff Sgt (Aerial Photo)

5. Each Combat Mapping Squadron (4-Engine) will consist of the following grades and classifications of combat crews:

8 Captains - 4 Pilots, 4 Navigators
16 1st Lieutenants - 12 Pilots, 4 Navigators
24 2nd Lieutenants - 16 Co-Pilots, 8 Navigators
24 Technical Sergeants - 16 Ap Mech-Gun (748), 8 Aerial Photo (940)
44 Staff Sergeants - 16 Radio Opr Mech-Gun (757), 16 Aerial Photo Gunner (939), 4 Aerial Photo (940), 4 Ap Armorer-Gunner (612)

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12 Sergeants - 12 Aerial Gunners (G11)
16 Corporals - 16 Aerial Gunners (G11)

V. That, effective immediately, authorization be given the theater commanders concerned for twenty-one (21) combat crews for each Combat Mapping Squadron (2-Engine) overseas.

1. Total authorized strength of each of the following Combat Mapping Squadrons (2-Engine) will be fifty-nine (59) officers and two hundred (200) enlisted men:

5 15

2. Each combat crew will consist of the following members:

2nd Lieutenant (Pilot) 1
2nd Lieutenant (Navigator, Aerial Photo) ... 1
2

3. In each Flight of four airplanes one combat crew will have the following substitutions to allow for a Flight Leader:

1 Captain (Pilot)
1 Captain (Nav, Aerial Photo) in lieu of (1 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot)
(1 2nd Lieutenant (Nav, Aerial Photo)

4. In another crew of a Flight the following substitutions will be made to allow for a Deputy Flight Leader:

1 1st Lieutenant (Pilot)
1 1st Lieutenant (Nav, Aerial Photo) in lieu of (1 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot)
(1 2nd Lieutenant (Navig, Aerial Photo)

5. Each Combat Mapping Squadron (2-Engine) will consist of the following grades and classifications of combat crews:

10 Captains - 5 Pilots, 5 Navigators, Aerial Photo
10 1st Lieutenants - 5 Pilots, 5 Navigators, Aerial Photo
22 2nd Lieutenants - 11 Pilots, 11 Navigators, Aerial Photo

VI. That, effective immediately, authorization be given the theater commanders concerned for twenty-one (21) combat crews for each Reconnaissance Squadron, Bomber, now overseas.

1. Total authorized strength of each of the following units will be eighty-three (83) officers and three hundred one (301) enlisted men:

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2. Each combat crew will consist of the following members:

1 1st Lieutenant (Pilot)
1 2nd Lieutenant (Co-Pilot)
1/3 2nd Lieutenant (Bombardier-Navigator)
1 Tech Sgt, Radio Opr Mech-gunner (757)
1/2 Staff Sgt, Ap Mech-Gun (748)

3. In each fourth combat crew the following substitutions will be made to allow for a Flight Leader:

1 Captain (Pilot)
1 1st Lieutenant (Bombardier-Navigator) in lieu of (1 1st Lieutenant (Pilot) (1 2nd Lieutenant (Bomb-Navigator)

4. Each Reconnaissance Squadron, Bomber, will consist of the following grades and classifications:

8 Captains - 8 Pilots
21 1st Lieutenants - 16 Pilots, 5 Bombardier-Navigators
37 2nd Lieutenants - 21 Pilots, 16 Bombardier-Navigators
21 Technical Sergeants - 21 Radio Operator Mech-Gunners (757)
21 Staff Sergeants - 21 Ap Mech-Gunners (748)

VII. That, effective immediately, authorization be given the Commander-in-Chief, Southwest Pacific Area for twenty-three (23) combat crews for each Reconnaissance Squadron (Fighter).

1. Total authorized strength of each of the following units will be forty-two (42) officers and two hundred twenty-eight (228) enlisted men:

82 110

2. Each combat crew will consist of one 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot).

3. In each Flight of six planes, the following substitutions will be made to allow for a Flight Leader:

1 Captain (Pilot) in lieu of (1 2nd Lieutenant (Pilot)
3 1st Lieutenants (Pilot) (3 2nd Lieutenants (Pilot)

4. Each Reconnaissance Squadron, Fighter, will consist of the following grades and classifications:

4 Captains - 4 Pilots
11 1st Lieutenants - 11 Pilots
8 2nd Lieutenants - 8 Pilots

VIII. That officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly. Additional grades authorized will be used solely for combat crews and grade vacancies will be filled only in proportion of crews on hand to total crews authorized.

IX. That personnel for augmentation of all of the Squadrons cited above be

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nished in the theater from sources under the control of the theater commander cerned with replacement of shortages of individuals in combat crews shall be requisitioned in the normal manner. This action does not alter in any manner the established flow of combat crew personnel to this theater. Such combat crew personnel as is rendered surplus will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition.

X. That equipment be in accordance with special list of equipment which is being prepared by Reconnaissance Branch, Requirements Division, AC/AS, OC&R, and which will be processed through the War Department by the Equipment Section, AC/AS, M&SD, for publication at an early date. Equipment will be supplied to the fullest extent from theater stocks with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

XI. That a report be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming these actions.

XII. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force
CINC_SWPA
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Rear Echelon
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Forward Echelon
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with MR dated 27 March 1944 from AGAS, OCAR, Requirements Division, subject "Increase in Crews for Reconnaissance Organizations". No augmentation has been given Photo Charting or Photo Mapping Squadrons because extra combat crews were not included in the 1944 AAF Troop Basis. Also Reconnaissance Squadrons (Sp) have been omitted as these units are in a quiet theater and augmentation is not desired by the theater commander as it affects his ceiling personnel allotment. The 20th Combat Mapping Squadron (4-Engine) was reorganized under T/O and E 1-78S on verbal request of Major Bishop of Reconnaissance Branch, AGAS, OCAR. This unit is carried under this T/O and E in Troop Basis but has never been officially authorized. Reason for granting combat crews is to give grades and ratings for excess combat crews now in theater because of reduced attrition, and to assist planning in Training Division of AGAS, OCAR. AGAS, Plans, has also authorized increase in certain Reconnaissance units of 30% increase in crews. This action is reflected in the 1944 AAF Troop Basis as follows:

	Officers	W. O.	E. M.
Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron (F)(SR)	612	0	3402
Photo Reconnaissance Squadron (2-Engine)	1086	24	7128
Combat Mapping Squadron (4-Engine)	193	3	1119
Combat Mapping Squadron (2-Engine)	98	0	400
Reconnaissance Squadron (Sp)	111	0	699
Reconnaissance Squadron (Bomb)	136	0	882
Reconnaissance Squadron (Sp)	68	0	291
Photo Reconnaissance Squadron (Comp)	80	0	243
	2823	27	14056
Addition approved by G-3 (8 Mar 44)	330	0	134
	2853	27	14187
Requested by this action:			
Tactical Reconnaissance	322	0	1582
Photographic Reconnaissance	1161	24	7133
Combat Mapping Squadron (4-Engine)	238	3	1191
Combat Mapping Squadron (2-Engine)	118	0	400
Reconnaissance Squadron (Bomb)	249	0	908
Reconnaissance Squadron (F)	84	0	456
	2182	27	11636

Balance in 1944 AAF Troop Basis —

471 Officers
2552 Enlisted Men

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Reorganization of 2nd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, Air Route, Medium.

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That, effective 10 April 1944, the Commanding General, Third Air Force, reorganize the 2nd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, Air Route, Medium, under a temporary allotment of personnel of eighty-two (82) officers, one (1) warrant officer and three hundred twenty-four (324) enlisted men only until new T/O & E now being processed is published.

2. As far as is practicable, personnel with the following MOS and SNK numbers will be furnished by the Commanding General, Third Air Force. Shortages in filler personnel of these classifications will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Assistant Chief of Air Staff, Military Personnel.

M.O.S.	Off's.	S.N.K.	E.M.
0210	1	748	14
1081	38	797	16
1086	15	801	9
0589	11	802	5
4072	1	806	1
0200	2	276	1
0141	3	635	4
4075	1	821	1
4005	1	826	2
9200	2	756	18
5162	1	070	2
0219	16	747	37
0905	1	750	11
2110	1	752	4
2120	1	608	3
1042	1	696	3
4090	1	068	6
Total Off.	82	405	11
		086	1
		911	20
M.O.S.	W.O.	806	2
		683	1
9901	1	693	2

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782	6
784	4
787	1

Total E.M. 334

II. Twenty (20) copies of the reorganization order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive, will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

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III. That the station Commander charged reorganization of this unit under authority of this letter, immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander and The Adjutant General of the date of reorganization.

IV. That travel and transportation be charged as specified in War Department #139, dated 1 June 1943.

V. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Corps of Engineers
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( ) 13 Apr 1944
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: Action taken in Comment No. 4 of AGR from ACAS, OC&R, Weather Division, dated 31 March 1944, subject "Weather Reconnaissance Squadron, M for Overseas Movement," to provide unit necessary in China-Burma-India theater for use with Special Project. This is within the 1944 AAF Troop Basis since increase of 38 officers, one warrant officer and 287 enlisted men over present strength of 44 officers, and 57 enlisted men will be obtained by a reduction in 1 Weather Squadron. As no regular training of replacements is to be done, six extra combat crews of three officers and three enlisted men each are being trained with this unit and included in allotment of personnel. Any shortages in personnel will be furnished by AC/AS, Military Personnel from non-committed units. Reason: Present T/O & E 1-638, dated 9 November 1943, is designed for non-combat service. Since unit will go overseas as soon as trained, it has been deemed expedient that reorganization be effected at the increased strength at once. The new T/O and E is now being processed by the Weather Division, ACAS, OC&R. It is estimated the T/O and E will be published on or about 15 May 1944.

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5 April 1944
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Constitution and Activation of the 948th Engineer Aviation Topographic Detachment

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the 948th Engineer Aviation Topographic Detachment be constituted, assigned to and activated by the Third Air Force, at Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma, at the earliest practicable date. This Detachment will be organized as follows:

T/O and E 5-400	Off	E.M.
Col 8AJ, less line 101	2	19
Col 9AG, less line 101	1	14
Lines 4, 5, 13, 30, 56 of Col 7AE	2	4
Col 12AJ, less lines 98, 99, 101	2	27
Col 14AL, less lines 97, 98, 99, 101	2	28
T/O and E 5-500		
Col 36AA, less line 146	1	17
Total authorized strength	10	119

2. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

3. Personnel to man this unit will be furnished from sources under the control of the Commanding General, Third Air Force with replacement to be accomplished in the normal manner by submission of the AAF Forms 127-A and/or 127-B.

4. This unit should be prepared for extended field service on or before 1 June 1944.

5. Equipment will be in accordance with a special list of equipment to be prepared by the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, and published by the War Department. (The Air Engineer will prepare this list and submit it to AAF, Materiel, Maintenance and Distribution for processing through the Army Service Forces.) Priority rating for controlled items of equipment will be A-2.

6. The Station Commander charged with activation of this unit

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under authority of this letter will immediately notify the appropriate Service Commander, the Commanding Officer of the Engineer Depot, Granite City, Illinois, and The Adjutant General of the date.

6. Twenty copies of the order issued by the Commanding General, Third Air Force, pursuant to this directive will be forwarded without delay to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces (Attention: Publications Branch, Management Control, Administrative Services Division). No other distribution will be made to offices of Headquarters, Army Air Forces.

7. Travel and transportation involved will be charged as specified in War Department Circular 139, 1 June 1943.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Engineers
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

[redacted]

NATHAN DEUTSCH
Lt. Col., A.G.D.,
Asst. Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
G-3, W.D.G.S. ( )

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested by the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India in radiogram CM-IN-15070 dated 16 March 1944 and CM-IN-14752 dated 20 March 1944, and is necessary to supply unit of this type in connection with operations in that theater. This action is also in accordance with M&R from AGAS, OCAC, Commitments Division, subject "Request for Activation of Special Engineer Ava Topographic Detachment", dated 21 March 1944. This action is not now in the Army Air Forces Troop Basis but can be provided by deletion of the Engineer Company, Aviation, Airborne, Item 39, Page 10, of the approved Army Air Forces Troop Basis, 1944. This paper is classified SECRET because of this memorandum for record but publication should be [redacted].

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IV. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding Officer, Army Airways Communications System Wing
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, North Atlantic Wing, ATC
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding Officer, 24th Army Airways Communications Squadron
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Dispatched 7 APR 1944 AAG

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T. A. FITZPATRICK
Colonel, A. G. D.,
Air Adjutant General

REFERENCES:
OPD, WDGS { }
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action was requested by R&S from Air Communications Officer, Communications System Div., dated 31 Mar 44, Subj: "Constitution and Activation of Hq, European Airways Communications Area (AACS) also 24th Regional Control Hq., AACS and 24th Army Airways Communications Squadron" which was pursuant to Secret cable Number W13086, dated 15 Mar 44 from the Commanding General, U.S. Forces in the European Theater of Operations, signed Eisenhower. Hq, European Airways Communications Area (AACS) is to have the 24th and 26th Regional Control Headquarters, AACS, under its jurisdiction. Reorganization of the 24th Army Airways Communications Sq is a reduction of 58 officers and 640 enlisted men. This action is within the approved 1944 Troop Basis strength for the Army Airways Communications System. Copies of station lists of 24th Army Airways Communications Sq are forwarded for OPD's information.

This action is also in accordance with Disposition Form from OPD, dated 4 April 1944, Subject: "Reorganization of 24th Airways Region and Organization of 26th Airways Region", File No. OPD 320.2 ETO (9 Mar 44), and Letter from Hq, Communications Control Office, 24th Region Army Airways Communications System, AAF, dated 9 March 1944, same subject.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL: 28 MAR 1944

Subject: Constitution, Activation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That the following units be constituted, assigned to, activated and equipped by the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area at the earliest practicable date, as indicated:

Unit	T/O and E	STRENGTH Off	WO	EM
Hq & Hq Sq, 7th Fighter Wing	1-550-1, dated 6 July 1943, plus augmentation to Signal Section, Cols 7, 8, 9, as follows:	53	0	188
	Lt Col, Sig Off, Gen, (0210)	1		
	Maj, Radar (0140)	1		
	Capt, Sig Off, Gen, (0210)	1		
	M/Sgt, Admin, NCO (502)			1
	T/Sgt, Admin Clerk (502)			1
	S/Sgt, Admin Clerk (502)			1
	Sgt, Draftsman (070)			1
	Cpl, Admin Clerk (502)			1
	Pvt, Auto Equip Opr (930)(931)			1
	Total auth'd strength	56	0	194
Hq, 21st Fighter Group, Two Engine	1-12, dated 29 December 1943	27	1	79

II. That, concurrently, the following units be reorganized, augmented and equipped by the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area, as indicated, without loss of grades or ratings:

Unit	T/O and E	STRENGTH Off	WO	EM
Hq & Hq Sq, VII Air Force Service Command	1-400-12, dated 16 Oct 1943, with Changes 1 and 2.	177	18	368

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Unit	T/O and E	STRENGTH Off	WO	EM
Hq & Hq Sq, Seventh Air Force	1-500-1, dated 26 July 1943, with Change 1, plus augmentation to Signal Section, Column 24, as follows:	144	11	890
	Maj, Sig Off, Gen (0210)	6	0	0
	Total auth'd strength	150	11	890
17th Tow Target Squadron	T/O 1-1137, dated 3 Feb 1943, with Changes 1, 2, 3, 4, and T/A 1-14, 28 July 1943, plus,	14	0	105
	1 X Col 15 for Flt "B"	6	0	34
	2 X Col 14 for Flts "B" and "C"	12	0	70
	Total auth'd Strength	32	0	209
Hq & Hq Sq, VII Bomber Command	1-100-1, dated 6 Jan 1944, plus augmentation to Intelligence Section, Col 8, as follows:	84	1	201
	Lt Col, Flak Analyst	1	0	0
	Capt, Flak Analyst	4	0	0
	Total auth'd strength	89	1	201

III. That, concurrently, the following units be redesignated, reorganized, augmented and equipped by the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area, as indicated, without loss of grades or ratings:

Old Designation	New Designation	T/O and E	STRENGTH Off	WO	EM
Hq & Hq Sq, VII Fighter Comd	Hq & Hq Sq, VII Fighter Comd, Special	T/O 1-1-13, dated 15 Aug 1942 and T/E 1-1-2, dated 31 May 1943, plus augmentation to Signal Section, Col 15, as follows:	61	2	231
		Lt Colonel (SigOff,0210)	1	0	0
		Major, Radar Off (0140)	1	0	0
		Capt, Radio (0500)	1	0	0
		1st Lt, Wire (0400)	1	0	0
		T/Sgt, Draftsman (070)..	0	0	1
		Sgt, Draftsman (070)....	0	0	2
		Sgt, Draftsman (070)	0	0	1
		Cpl, Draftsman (070) ...	0	0	1
		Cpl, Clerk Typist (405)	0	0	1
		Pfc, Clerk Gen (055) ...	0	0	1
		Pfc, Chauffeur (931) ...	0	0	1
		Pvt, Radio (521)	0	0	2
		Total auth'd strength	65	2	241
Sig Hq & Hq Co, AWS, VII Ftr Comd	Sig Hq Co, AWS, VII Ftr Comd	T/O 11-400-13, dated 26 Aug 1943, [illegible]	11	2	212

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XIV. That officer and enlisted grades be authorized accordingly.

V. That personnel be furnished from sources available to the Commanding General, Seventh Air Force, with replacements requisitioned by submission of AAF Forms 137-A and/or 137-B.

VI. That equipment be supplied to the fullest extent from theater stocks with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

VII. That a report be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming these actions and giving dates of activation of the Hq & Hq Sq, 7th Fighter Wing and the Hq, 21st Fighter Group, Two Engine.

VIII. That the Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area be notified of this action by radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

IX. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineer
Office, Chief of Ordnance, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

By the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed
H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
G-3, W.D.G.S. ( )

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with RAR #2 from Commitments Division, ACAS, OCAR, dated 7 March 1944, subject "Request for Seventh Air Force for Flak Analysts", RAR #1 from Commitments Division, ACAS, OCAR, dated 8 March 1944, subject "Reorganization of Signal Hq Co, AWS, VII Fighter Command in Central Pacific Area," also D/F from OPD, 7 March 1944, subject "Disbandment and Augmentation of Certain Army Air Forces Units". Action has been informally concurred in by Colonel Hobson, OPD, W.D.G.S. and Colonel Brugge, Troop Basis Division, ACAS, OCAR. Increase of 48 officers, 9 warrant officers and 800 enlisted men will be within the 1944 AAF Troop Basis provided the disposition form of 13 March 1944, subject "Request for Changes in the 1944 Troop Basis" is approved by the War Department General Staff, OPD and G-3. Major General Hale concurred for the Seventh Air Force and Lt Colonel Long for Troop Movements and Colonel Hobson of OPD. Reason: To provide the necessary reorganizations, activations and augmentations for the most economical, efficient and effective operations of the Seventh Air Force.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

28 FEB 1944

Subject: Authorization of Combat Crews for Bombardment Squadrons (Medium)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That, effective immediately, notification be given to all theater commanders concerned and the Commanding General, First Air Force that each Bombardment Squadron (M) listed below is authorized twenty-one (21) combat crews:

1. Total authorized strength of the following units will be eighty-two (82) officers and three hundred twenty-five (325) enlisted men.

a. Overseas.

10	11	22	34	37	47	48	69	70	71	75
77	81	82	83	95	379	380	381	390	398	405
428	432	434	437	438	439	440	441	442	443	444
445	446	447	448	449	450	451	452	453	454	455
486	486	487	488	489	490	491	494	495	496	497
498	499	500	501	552	583	584	585	586	587	588
559	572	573	574	575	594	595	596	597	598	599
598	599	820	822	825						

NOTE: As Bombardment Squadrons (M) 12, 35, 39 and 417 will be disbanded shortly, they are not included in authorization above.

b. Continental U.S., committed for overseas

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2. Each combat crew will consist of the following members:

Officers		Enlisted Men	
1st Lt (Pilot)	1	T/Sgt, Radio Op Mech & Gun (757)	1
2nd Lt (Pilot)	1	S/Sgt, Ap Mech-Gun (748)	1
2nd Lt (Bomb-Nav)	1	S/Sgt, Armorer Gunner (612)	1
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a. In each fourth combat crew the following substitutions will be

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made to allow for a flight leader:

1 Captain (Pilot)
1 1st Lt (Bomb-Nav) in lieu of (1 1st Lieutenant (Pilot)
(1 2nd Lieutenant (Bomb-Nav)

b. Each Squadron will consist of the following grades and classifications of combat crews:

5 Captains - (Pilots)
21 1st Lieutenants - 16 Pilots, 5 Bombardier-Navigators
37 2nd Lieutenants - 21 Pilots, 16 Bombardier-Navigators
21 T/Sgts - 21 Radio Op Mech & Gun
42 S/Sgts - 21 Armorer Gun, 21 Ap Mech-Gun

II. That officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly. Additional grades authorized will be used solely for combat crews and grade vacancies will be filled only in proportion of crews on hand to total crews authorized.

III. That personnel for augmentation of all of the squadrons cited above will be furnished in the theater from sources under the control of the theater commander concerned with replenishment requisitioned in the normal manner. Committed units now in the continental U.S. will not receive personnel augmentation until arrival in theater. Such combat crew personnel as is rendered surplus will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition.

IV. That equipment will be in accordance with special list of equipment which has been prepared by Requirements Division, ACAS, OCAC, and which is now being processed through the War Department by Equipment Section, ACAS, MRAD for publication at an early date. Equipment will be supplied to fullest extent from theater stocks with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

V. That a report be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming date of augmentation of each of the units listed.

VI. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, NY
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force

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Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Forward Echelon
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Rear Echelon
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
G-3, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with RAR request from ACAS, OCAR, Commitments Division by Comment #5, and is necessary to provide each combat Bombardment Squadron (H) in theater with twenty-one (21) combat crews. Reason for accelerating commitment dates on these combat crews is to obtain figures on full strength as planned in the Army Air Forces program, and also to provide grades and ratings for excess combat crews already in the theater which came into being through decreased losses of combat crew personnel. Strength of a Bombardment Squadron (H) with twenty-one (21) combat crews will be eighty-two (82) officers and three hundred fifty-nine (359) enlisted men. This action authorizes additional personnel of ~~1885~~ officers and ~~1885~~ enlisted men several months in advance of program. 1290
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Authorization of Combat Crews for Bombardment Squadrons (Light)

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That, effective immediately, notification be given to all theater commanders concerned that each Bombardment Squadron (L) listed below is authorized twenty-one (21) combat crews.

1. Total authorized strength of the following units will be forty-four (44) officers and two hundred sixty-three (263) enlisted men:

a. Overseas.

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2. Total authorized strength of the following units with augmented strengths will be forty-three (43) officers and two hundred sixty-nine (269) enlisted men:

a. Overseas.

640 641 642 643 644 645 646 647 668 669 670 671

3. Total authorized strength of each of the following units with augmented strengths will be forty-four (44) officers and two hundred sixty-seven (267) enlisted men:

a. Overseas.

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4. Each additional combat crew will consist of the following members:

Officers	Enlisted Men
2nd Lieutenant 1	S/Sgt, Ap Mech-Gunner (748) 1
	S/Sgt, Asst Gunner (612) 1

a. In each 4th combat crew the following substitution and addition will be made to allow for a flight leader:

1 Captain (Pilot)
1 1st Lieutenant (Bombardier-Navigator) } in lieu of (1 2nd Lt (Pilot)

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b. In each fourth combat crew the following substitution will be made to allow for a deputy flight leader:

1 1st Lieutenant, Pilot) in lieu of (1 2nd Lieutenant, Pilot

c. Each Bombardment Squadron (L) will consist of the following grades and classifications for combat crews:

5 Captains - Pilots
10 1st Lieutenants - 5 Pilots, 5 Bombardier-Navigators
11 2nd Lieutenants - Pilots
42 S/Sgts - 21 Ap Mech-Gun, 21 Armorer Gunners

II. That officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly. Additional grades authorized in this letter will be used solely for combat crews, and grade vacancies will be filled only in proportion of crews on hand to total crews authorized.

III. That personnel for this augmentation will be furnished by the theater commanders concerned from sources under their control with replenishment requisitioned in the usual manner. Such combat crew personnel as is rendered surplus will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition until such time as a definite policy on disposition of surplus combat crews is established.

IV. That equipment will be in accordance with special list of equipment which has been prepared by Requirements Division, AC/AS, OCAR, and which is now being processed through the War Department by Equipment Section, AC/AS, [redacted] for publication at an early date. Equipment will be supplied to the fullest extent from theater stocks with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

V. That a report be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming this augmentation.

VI. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Forward Echelon
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Rear Echelon

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Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Mich
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. M. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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23 FEB 1944
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Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R request from ACAS, OCAA, Commitments Division by Comment #5, and is necessary to provide each combat Bombardment Squadron (L) in the theater with twenty-one (21) combat crews. Reason for accelerating commitment dates on these combat crews is to obtain figures on full strength as planned in the Army Air Forces program, and also to provide grades and ratings for excess combat crews already in theater which came into being through decreased losses of combat crew personnel. Strength of a Bombardment Squadron (L) with twenty-one (21) combat crews will be 43 officers and 263 enlisted men. This action authorizes additional personnel of 158 officers and 980 enlisted men several months in advance of program.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL: 22 FEB 1944

Subject: Authorization of Combat Crews for Bombardment Squadrons (Heavy)

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That, effective immediately, notification be given to theater commanders and Commanding Generals of the Air Forces concerned that each of the Bombardment Squadrons (Hv) listed below is authorized twenty-four (24) combat crews.

1. Total authorized strength of each of the following Bombardment Squadrons (Hv) will be one hundred fifteen (115) officers and four hundred thirty-two (432) enlisted men:

a. Squadrons overseas

2	9	19	20	23	26	27	31	32	33	36
38	42	49	63	64	65	66	67	68	72	96
98	319	320	321	322	323	324	326	327	328	329
330	331	332	333	334	335	336	337	338	339	340
341	342	343	344	345	346	347	348	349	350	351
352	353	358	359	360	364	365	366	367	368	369
370	371	372	373	374	376	392	394	400	401	403
404	406	407	408	409	410	412	413	414	415	416
418	419	422	425	434	425	427	429	431	436	492
493	506	508	509	510	511	515	524	525	526	527
528	529	530	531	532	533	534	535	544	545	546
547	548	549	550	551	560	561	562	563	564	565
566	567	568	569	570	571	576	577	578	579	612
613	614	615	700	701	702	703	704	705	706	707
708	709	710	711	712	713	714	715	716	717	718
719	720	721	722	723	724	725	726	727	728	729
730	731	732	733	734	735	736	737	738	739	740
741	742	743	744	745	746	747	748	749	750	751
752	753	754	755	756	757	758	759	760	761	762
763	764	765	766	767	772	773	774	775	776	777
778	779	780	781	782	783	784	785	786	787	788
789	790	791	819							

b. Squadrons in continental U.S. committed for overseas

4	7	18	391	600	601	602	603	815	816	817
849	850	851	852	853	854	855	856	857	858	859
824	825	826	827	828	[illegible]	830	831	832	833	834
835	836	837	838	839	[illegible]	844	845	846	847	848
860	861	862	863	864	865	866	867			

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2. Total strength of each of the following Bombardment Squadrons (Hv) now having special augmentations will be as indicated:

Bombardment Squadrons (Hv)	Off	EM
3, 39, 74, 397 and 868 (each)	116	456
336th Bombardment Squadron (Hv)	115	445

3. Each combat crew will consist of the following members:

Officers		Enlisted Men	
1st Lt (Pilot)	1	T/Sgt, Ap Mech-Gunner (748)	1
2nd Lt (Co-Pilot)	1	T/Sgt, Radio Op Mech & Gunner (757)	1
2nd Lt (Navigator)	1	S/Sgt, Ap Mech-Gunner (748)	1
2nd Lt (Bombardier)	1	S/Sgt, Radio Op Mech & Gunner (757)	1
	4	S/Sgt, Armorer Gunner (612)	2
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a. In each fourth combat crew the following substitutions will be made to allow for a flight leader:

1 Capt, Pilot) (1 1st Lt, Pilot
1 1st Lt, Navigator) in lieu of (1 2nd Lt, Navigator
1 1st Lt, Bombardier) (1 2nd Lt, Bombardier

b. Each Squadron will consist of the following grades and classifications for the combat crews:

6 Captains - Pilots
30 1st Lieutenants - 18 Pilots, 6 Navigators, 6 Bombardiers
60 2nd Lieutenants - 24 Pilots, 18 Navigators, 18 Bombardiers
48 T/Sgts - 24 Ap Mech-Gunners, 24 Radio Op Mech Gun
96 S/Sgts.- 24 Ap Mech-Gun, 48 Armorer Gun, 24 Radio Op Mech Gun

II. That, effective immediately, notification be given to theater commanders concerned that each of the Bombardment Squadrons (H) are authorized the number of combat crews and strengths as indicated below:

	Crews per Sq	Off	EM
812, 813, 814	24	130	473
812, 813, 814	21	108	457

1. Each combat crew will consist of the following members:

Officers		Enlisted Men	
Capt (Navigator)	1	T/Sgt, Ap Mech-Gunner (748)	1
2nd Lt (Co-Pilot)	1	T/Sgt, Radio Ap Mech & Gunner)(757)	1
2nd Lt (Pilot)	1	T/Sgt, Radar Observer (866)	1
2nd Lt (Bombardier)	1	S/Sgt, Ap Mech-Gunner (748)	1
	4	S/Sgt, Radio Op Mech & Gunner (757)	1
		S/Sgt, Armorer Gunner (612)	2
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2. In one of every eight combat crews in 512th, 513th and 514th Bombardment Squadrons (P) (flight of 4 crews with 4 crews in reserve) one Major (Pilot) is authorized in lieu of one 2nd Lt (Pilot) as Flight Leader; in another crew of the same eight combat crews one 1st Lt (Pilot) is authorized in lieu of one 2nd Lt (Pilot) as Flight Leader.

a. Each of these Bombardment Squadrons (P) will consist of the following grades and classifications for combat crews:

3 Majors (Pilot)
24 Captains (Navigators)
3 1st Lts (Pilot)
66 2nd Lts, 18 (Pilot), 24 (Co-Pilot), 24 (Bombardier)
72 T/Sgts, 24 Ap Mech Gun, 24 Radio Op Mech & Gun, 24 Radar Obs
96 S/Sgts, 42 Armorer Gun, 21 Ap Mech Gun, 21 Radio Op Mech & Gun

3. In one of every seven combat crews in 512th, 513th and 514th Bombardment Squadrons (P) (flight of 4 crews with 3 crews in reserve) one Major (Pilot) is authorized in lieu of one 2nd Lt (Pilot) as Flight Leader; in another crew of the same seven combat crews one 1st Lt (Pilot) is authorized in lieu of one 2nd Lt (Pilot) as Flight Leader.

a. Each of these Bombardment Squadrons (P) will consist of the following grades and classifications for combat crews:

3 Majors (Pilot)
21 Captains (Navigator)
3 1st Lts (Pilot)
57 2nd Lts, 18 (Pilot), 21 (Co-Pilot), 21 (Bombardier)
63 T/Sgts - 21 Ap Mech Gun, 21 Radio Op Mech & Gun, 21 Radar Obs
84 S/Sgts - 42 Armorer Gun, 21 Ap Mech Gun, 21 Radio Op Mech & Gun

III. That officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly. Additional grades authorized in this letter will be used solely for combat crews, and grade vacancies will be filled only in proportion of crews on hand to total crews authorized.

IV. That personnel for augmentation of all of squadrons cited above will be furnished in the theater from sources under the control of the theater commander concerned with replenishment requisitioned in the normal manner. Committed units now in the continental U.S. will not receive personnel augmentation until arrival in theater. Such combat crew personnel as is rendered surplus will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition.

V. That equipment will be in accordance with special list of equipment which has been prepared by Requirements Division, AC/AS, OC&R, and which is now being processed through the War Department by Equipment Section, AC/AS, MM&D for publication at an early date. Equipment will be supplied to fullest extent from theater stocks with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

VI. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming date of augmentation of each of the units listed.

VII. That the following be notified of [illegible]tion:
Commanding General, First Air Force
Commanding General, Second Air Force

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Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
Commanding Officer, 1st Statistical Control Unit, Mitchel Field, NY
Commanding Officer, 2nd Statistical Control Unit, Colorado Springs, Colo
Commanding Officer, 3rd Statistical Control Unit, Tampa, Fla
Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Calif
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Forward Echelon
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Rear Echelon
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General

Concurrences:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with AAF request from AGAS, OCAC, Commitments Division, by Comment #5, and is necessary to provide each combat Bombardment Squadron (Hv) in theater with twenty-four (24) combat crews. Reason for accelerating commitment dates on these combat crews is to obtain figures on full strength as planned in the AAF program, and also to provide grades and ratings for excess combat crews already in theater which came into being through decreased losses of combat crew personnel. Strength of a Bombardment Squadron (Hv) with twenty-four combat crews will be 118 officers and 432 enlisted men. This action authorizes additional personnel of 11,189 officers and 16,947 enlisted men several months in advance of program.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Authorization of Combat Crews for Fighter or Fighter Bomber Squadrons

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That, effective immediately, all theater commanders concerned be authorized to augment each of the following Fighter or Fighter Bomber Squadrons by twelve (12) combat crews as shown in Column 37 of T/O and E 1-27, dated 22 December 1943:

2	4	5	7	8	9	10(Sp)	11	16	18	19	22
23	34	35	36	38	39	50	51	52	53	59	40
41	43	45	46	47	51	52	53	58	59	60	61
62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	72	73	74
75	76	78	81(Sp)	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89
90	91	92	93	*99	*100	*301	*302	307	308	309	310
311	313(Sp)	314	315	316	317	318	319	328	333	334	335
336	340	341	343	344	345	346	347	350	351	352	353
354	355	356	357	358	359	360	361	362	363	364	365
366	367	368	369	370	374	375	376	377	378	379	380
381	382	386	387	388	389	390	391	392	393	394	395
396	397	401	402	404	405	406	410	411	412	485	486
487	492	493	494	503	504	505	506	507	508	509	510
511	512	513	514	522	523	524	525	526	527	528	529
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1. Total authorized strength of each of these units will be fifty-one (51) officers and two hundred forty-seven (247) enlisted men. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly. Additional grades authorized by this letter will be used solely for combat crews and grade vacancies will be filled only in proportion of crews on hand to total crews authorized.

2. Fighter or Fighter Bomber Squadrons not yet in theater will receive this augmentation upon arrival thereat.

3. Personnel for this augmentation will be furnished from sources available to the theater commander with replacements requisitioned in the normal manner. Such combat crew personnel as is rendered surplus will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition until such time as a definite policy on disposition of combat crews is established.

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4. Equipment for this augmentation will be supplied in accordance with s/o and R 1-27, 22 December 1943, to the fullest extent from theater stocks, with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

5. A report will be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming this augmentation.

II. That the following be notified of this action:

Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, Ninth Air Force
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fourteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
CINC-SWPA
Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Forward Echelon
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Rear Echelon
Commanding General, Alaskan Department
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Air Service Command.
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg. Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg. Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. H. [redacted]
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
G-3, WDGS ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with AAF request from AC/AS, OC&R, Fighter and Air Defense Branch, dated 24 January 1944. Reason for acceleration in AAF program for these combat crews is to obtain figures on full strength and to provide grades and ratings for excess combat crews already in theater which came into being through decreased losses of combat crew personnel. This action authorizes additional personnel of 2040 officers and 240 enlisted men several months in advance of program.

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CHIEF of the ARMY AIR FORCES

21 FEB 1944
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Augmentation of Fighter Squadrons (Two Engine) by Twelve (12) Combat Crews

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That, effective immediately, all theater commanders concerned and the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force be authorized to augment each of the following Fighter Squadrons (Two Engine) by twelve (12) combat crews as shown in Column 37 of T/O and E 1-37, dated 22 December 1943; total authorized strength will be fifty-one (51) officers and two hundred seventy-six (276) enlisted men:

Overseas

12	27	35	36	37	38	44	48	49	50	54
55	71	77	79	80	94	95	96	97	338	339
343	383	384	385	428	429	430	431	432	433	449
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II. That officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly. Grade vacancies for units overseas will be filled only in proportion of crews on hand to total crews authorized.

III. That personnel for augmentation of units overseas, and those now in the U.S. which will eventually arrive in theater less augmentation, will be furnished by the theater commander concerned. Such combat crew personnel as is rendered surplus will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces for disposition.

IV. That equipment will be supplied from theater stocks in accordance with T/O and E 1-37, 22 December 1943, with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner.

V. That a report be submitted to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General without delay confirming these augmentations.

VI. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force

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Commanding Officer, 4th Statistical Control Unit, San Francisco, Calif
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, Sixth Air Force
Commanding General, Seventh Air Force
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Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Eleventh Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
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Commanding General, Fifteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Caribbean Defense Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
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Commanding General, Panama Canal Department
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in Central Pacific Area
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Rear Echelon
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India, Forward Echelon
Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Union Guardian Bldg, Detroit, Michigan
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Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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Concurrences:

OPD, W.D.G.S. ( )
G-3, W.D.G.S. ( )

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with RAR request from ACAS, OCR, Fighter and Air Defense Branch, dated 24 January 1944. Reason for acceleration in AAF program for these combat crews is to obtain figures on full strength and to provide grades and ratings for excess combat crews already in theater which came into being through decreased losses of combat crew personnel. This action authorizes personnel of 444 officers and 74 enlisted men in advance of program.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain Army Air Forces Units

The Secretary of War directs:

1. That the following units be redesignated and reorganized at the earliest practicable date by the Commanders concerned, as indicated, in accordance with T/O & E 1-1027, now being printed and to be distributed shortly:

Unit	Redesignated as	Theater Assignment
138th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	1st AAF Rad Sq, Mobile (J)	Fifth Air Force
951st Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	3rd AAF Rad Sq, Mobile (G)	Eighth Air Force
955th Sig Rad Int Co, Avn	5th AAF Rad Sq, Mobile (J)	Tenth Air Force

1. This action will not effect a change of station. No individual will be reduced in grade as a result of the reorganization. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Fillers and replacements will be assigned as shown:

a. Personnel of the 140th Signal Radio Intelligence Co, concurrently disbanded and assigned to the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, shall be used as fillers for the 1st AAF Radio Squadron, Mobile (J).

b. Personnel of the 953rd Signal Radio Intelligence Co, Avn, concurrently disbanded and assigned to the Commanding General, Fourth Air Force, shall be used as fillers for the 5th AAF Radio Squadron, Mobile (J).

c. Personnel for the 954th Signal Radio Intelligence Co, Avn, concurrently disbanded and assigned to the Commanding General, Third Air Force, shall be used as fillers for the 3rd AAF Radio Squadron, Mobile (G).

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4. Additional shortages in personnel will be requisitioned in the usual manner.

5. No individual will be reduced in grade as a result of the reorganization and reassignment.

3. Equipment will be furnished to the fullest extent practicable by the appropriate Theater Commander.

4. Direct communication between interested units is authorized.

5. Dates of reorganization and redesignation will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General, without delay.

6. Obligate the appropriate allotments published in Section VI, Circular No. 129, WD, 1 June 1943, to the extent necessary.

II. The Commanding Generals of the Fifth, Eighth and Tenth Air Forces, respectively, will be notified by radiogram giving file designation of published letter.

III. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, Third Air Force
Commanding General, Fourth Air Force
CINC, Southwest Pacific Area
Commanding General, Fifth Air Force
Commanding General, European Theater of Operations
Commanding General, Eighth Air Force
Commanding General, U.S. Army Forces in China-Burma-India (Rear Echelon)
Commanding General, Tenth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation
Chief of Ordnance
Chief Signal Officer
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Preventive Maintenance Unit, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
Divisions of the War Department General Staff

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

Signed

H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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CONCURRENCES:

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with request from Air Communications Officer, Organization Division, Personnel Branch by P&P, dated 8 February 1944, Subject: "AAF Radio Squadrons, Mobile". This action will result in transfer of personnel to Air Corps and in desired reorganization. This action is within the Army Air Forces 1944 Troop Basis.

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23 February 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF AIR STAFF:
(THRU: Deputy Chief of Air Staff, Brig. General Vandenberg)

Subject: Antiaircraft Artillery

1. Reference R&R from Deputy Chief of Air Staff on antiaircraft artillery, 17 Feb 1944, copy attached, the following is submitted:

2. It is Army Ground Forces doctrine to reduce antiaircraft artillery and increase divisional units in so far as they are permitted by the War Department.

3. There are large possibilities of augmenting horizontal fire power by antiaircraft weapons. Ground Forces realization of these potentialities has been slow. This office has done much to induce Ground Forces to develop methods for using this fire. It is not believed that Ground Forces have given this factor any consideration in determining the number of antiaircraft units to be maintained.

4. It is believed that the War Department General Staff (at the direction of the Chief of Staff) has maintained the antiaircraft units at a high level in spite of at least some Ground Forces opposition. Their reasons for this are believed to be:

a. Their appreciation of the importance of air power which leads them to realize the necessity for providing protection by ground means for harbors, ground troop units, airdromes, and other vital points.

b. Estimates from the theaters. Of the total troop basis for antiaircraft troops for 1944, less than 8 per cent of units and strength is not planned for deployment during 1944 and requests for additions may be expected from the theaters.

c. Planning in the theaters is thus one of the chief bases for the determination of the amount of antiaircraft called for in the troop basis. Requests from theater commanders are not believed to be on a sound basis in all cases. For instance, the Fifth Army in Italy has nearly twice the number of antiaircraft battalions per division that are planned for the "Overlord" operation. No method, other

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than making Air Corps commanders responsible for all air defense and for troop basis planning therefor which is subject to review at Hq. Army Air Forces, is seen to improve this situation. That such planning and review would decrease the antiaircraft troop basis is, however, questionable.

d. The compartamented assignment (as is current in several theaters--notably in the Mediterranean and European theaters) of antiaircraft to divisions, corps, and armies is not conducive to economy of force. General McNair concurs in this opinion. The only solution is to make the air commander responsible for air defense and for attaching antiaircraft units to ground forces when such attachment is required.

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H. R. OLDFIELD
Major General, U. S. Army
Special Asst for Antiaircraft

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Antiaircraft Artillery

AC/AS - Operations, Commitments & Requirements 17 Feb 1944

Deputy Chief of the Air Staff (General Vandenberg) 1

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1. For your information, the following is quoted from the General Council minutes:

"A study of the new troop basis indicates that antiaircraft artillery is almost exactly one-half as strong as infantry. In other words, for each two infantry soldiers in infantry units, there is one antiaircraft soldier in an antiaircraft unit".

2. From the foregoing, a possibility suggests itself that:

a. The Army Ground Forces are placing too much emphasis on antiaircraft defenses in view of the counter air force operations the AAF must undertake if a major ground effort is to succeed.

b. The AAA effort of the Ground Forces is only partially for AAA purposes and really represents an augmentation of horizontal fire power.

3. In view of efforts on the part of the Army Ground Forces to obtain adequate manpower to implement the current division program, it is believed desirable that we study the condition outlined above so that the conclusions may be available during future troop basis discussions, etc.

4. It is noted that high concentrations of AAA may be required in selected areas, but this does not appear true for the entire AGF establishment. Also, the ability of the Allied Air Forces to provide air covering action has materially improved since certain specific, past operations.

HOYT S. VANDENBERG
Brigadier General, U. S. A.
Deputy Chief of the Air Staff

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16 February 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL KUTER:

Subject: Announcement to Zone of Interior of Policy Regarding Utlization of Combat Crews

1. AC/AS, Personnel Recommends:

a. That General Arnold's speech at Maxwell Field should include a brief statement of the change in combat crew policy. A proposed insertion in General Arnold's speech is attached as Tab A.

b. That the Z/I commanders be officially apprised of the change in policy by dispatch of a circular in the form attached as Tab B. Such circular would not be dispatched until at least two weeks after the personal letters from General Arnold have been sent to the overseas theater commanders.

2. This office concurs in the procedure recommended by AC/AS, Personnel.

2 Incls.
Incl. 1 - Tab A
Incl. 2 - Tab B

JOE L. LOUTZENHEISER
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief, Operational Plans Div.

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Proposed Insertion for General Arnold's Speech at

Maxwell Field

"In connection with combat crew replacements, our goal for (56) HB Group is to provide two crews with each replacement aircraft, for all other type units one and one-half crews per replacement aircraft. We are still short of that goal, and one factor creating a dangerous situation is the impression in the minds of combat crews returning from some overseas theaters that they will not subsequently be sent back to an active theater of war. Some of the trainees have already acquired this impression. To correct this situation, I have written personal letters to the commanders of the air forces in overseas theaters telling them that all local theater policies must be rescinded. It is essential that no announcement of this change in policy be made in the continental United States until the overseas theater commanders have had an opportunity to take the required steps in their theaters. In approximately two weeks' time, a circular announcing the change in policy will be dispatched to the commanders in the Zone of the Interior."

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SUBJECT: Policy Regarding Combat Utilization of Combat Crews

TO: Commanding General
All Air Forces

1. The Army Air Forces are charged with certain exacting responsibilities in the global war strategy. Fulfillment of these responsibilities requires an overall and inflexible policy for the employment of combat crew personnel.

2. The following is announced as the AAF policy regarding combat utilization of combat crews:

a. Any officer or enlisted man qualified physically and professionally to perform duties as a member of a combat crew will be employed strictly in accord with the demands of the war effort.

b. Any set number of operational missions will not constitute an entitlement for return to the Zone of the Interior nor will return from an operational tour constitute an exemption from reemployment in a theater of war.

c. Operational tours will be considered completed at such time as the availability of combat crews exceeds the requirements of the theater commander for the performance of his mission and permits the return of personnel to the Zone of the Interior. The term "requirements" means currently authorized table of organization crew strength plus such additional personnel as may be authorized by the War Department to permit theater indoctrination and steady flow of replacements to units.

d. Selected personnel returned under this policy will be reassigned to source theaters after a short period of rest provided the overall interests of the war effort permit and a request states a specific duty requirement for which the individual is highly qualified.

e. Air Force commanders in theaters must expect to receive officers in higher grades to replace personnel returned to the Zone of the Interior on completion of operational tour.

H. H. ARNOLD
General, U. S. Army
Commanding General, Army Air Forces

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Brigadier General Ralph H. Wooten
A. P. O. 825, c/o Postmaster
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Wooten:

A situation has arisen with respect to return to the United States of combat crew personnel which requires immediate action in all combat theaters. I am calling upon every Army Air Forces theater commander to give his most careful and immediate attention to the question. I have considered the policies adopted by our Navy and by the Royal Air Force, and have studied the various possibilities in detail.

As you know, we originally based our plans on the assumption that losses in combat would not exceed 15% loss in combat crews per month. However, with the exception of heavy bombers in the United Kingdom, our losses have actually been far less than this figure. This has permitted us to increase the total numb er of airplanes per squadron and in some instances to increase the number of squadrons per group. We also planned to include the provision of dual crews and the maintenance of a substantial reserve of combat personnel, all of these to be provided for by means of the anticipated savings in attrition.

A serious factor which is causing a critical shortage of crews is the institution of local theater policies covering the return of combat crews to the United States after completion of an arbitrary number of missions.

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Major General Willis H. Hale
A.P.O. 953, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL KUTER:

Subject: Announcement to Zone of Interior of Policy Regarding Utlization of Combat Crews

1. AC/AS, Personnel Recommends:

a. That General Arnold's speech at Maxwell Field should include a brief statement of the change in combat crew policy. A proposed insertion in General Arnold's speech is attached as Tab A.

b. That the Z/I commanders be officially apprised of the change in policy by dispatch of a circular in the form attached as Tab B. Such circular would not be dispatched until at least two weeks after the personal letters from General Arnold have been sent to the overseas theater commanders.

2. This office concurs in the procedure recommended by AC/AS, Personnel.

2 Incls.
Incl. 1 - Tab A
Incl. 2 - Tab B

JOE L. LOUTZENHEISER
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief, Operational Plans Div.

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Proposed Insertion for General Arnold's Speech at

Maxwell Field

"In connection with combat crew replacements, our goal for (56) HB Group is to provide two crews with each replacement aircraft, for all other type units one and one-half crews per replacement aircraft. We are still short of that goal, and one factor creating a dangerous situation is the impression in the minds of combat crews returning from some overseas theaters that they will not subsequently be sent back to an active theater of war. Some of the trainees have already acquired this impression. To correct this situation, I have written personal letters to the commanders of the air forces in overseas theaters telling them that all local theater policies must be rescinded. It is essential that no announcement of this change in policy be made in the continental United States until the overseas theater commanders have had an opportunity to take the required steps in their theaters. In approximately two weeks' time, a circular announcing the change in policy will be dispatched to the commanders in the Zone of the Interior."

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SUBJECT: Policy Regarding Combat Utilization of Combat Crews

TO: Commanding General
All Air Forces

1. The Army Air Forces are charged with certain exacting responsibilities in the global war strategy. Fulfillment of these responsibilities requires an overall and inflexible policy for the employment of combat crew personnel.

2. The following is announced as the AAF policy regarding combat utilization of combat crews:

a. Any officer or enlisted man qualified physically and professionally to perform duties as a member of a combat crew will be employed strictly in accord with the demands of the war effort.

b. Any set number of operational missions will not constitute an entitlement for return to the Zone of the Interior nor will return from an operational tour constitute an exemption from reemployment in a theater of war.

c. Operational tours will be considered completed at such time as the availability of combat crews exceeds the requirements of the theater commander for the performance of his mission and permits the return of personnel to the Zone of the Interior. The term "requirements" means currently authorized table of organization crew strength plus such additional personnel as may be authorized by the War Department to permit theater indoctrination and steady flow of replacements to units.

d. Selected personnel returned under this policy will be reassigned to source theaters after a short period of rest provided the overall interests of the war effort permit and a request states a specific duty requirement for which the individual is highly qualified.

e. Air Force commanders in theaters must expect to receive officers in higher grades to replace personnel returned to the Zone of the Interior on completion of operational tour.

H. H. ARNOLD
General, U. S. Army
Commanding General, Army Air Forces

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Lieutenant General George C. Kenney
A.P.O. 925, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

Dear George:

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Major General H. R. Harmon
A.P.O., 719, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

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Major General James H. Doolittle
APO 633, c/o Postmaster
New York City, N. Y.

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Major General Howard C. Davidson
A.P.O. 465, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

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Major General Davenport Johnson
A.P.O. 980 c/o Postmaster
Seattle, Washington

Dear Johnny:

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As you know, we originally based our plans on the assumption that losses in combat would not exceed 1% loss in combat crews per month. However, with the exception of heavy bombers in the United Kingdom, our losses have actually been far less than this figure. This has permitted us to increase the total number of airplanes per squadron and in some instances to increase the number of squadrons per group. We also planned to include the provision of dual crews and the maintenance of a substantial reserve of combat personnel, all of these to be provided for by means of the anticipated savings in attrition.

A serious factor which is causing a critical shortage of crews is the institution of local theater policies covering the return of combat crews to the United States after completion of an arbitrary number of missions.

When the opposition was much stronger than now it might have been all right to establish local policies such as returning combat personnel after an arbitrary time period, without regard to the adequacy of replacements, the importance of the operation, and above all, the actual capacity of the individuals in question for continued combat. However, conditions will change once the German and Japanese air forces pass their peak. The life expectancy of all of our crews will improve with the increase in strength in our Air Forces and the decrease in strength of our enemies.

If you have made any policies or understandings that combat personnel will be returned to the United States after fulfilling such arbitrary conditions as I have just described, these policies will be rescinded at once. Our combat personnel must understand that WE plan to use combat crews in accord with war demands. Policies covering relief for combat crews must be an overall Army Air Forces matter, based in all war zones upon the importance of our operations and human considerations. Such relief has to be a flexible proposition, for our leaders to determine, based on the time, and place, and means available, and the condition of the individual himself, and above all on

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You, as an Air Forces Commander, must always have the authority to relieve your combat crews on any basis you may see fit to the extent that replacements and means are available to you. But a sharp distinction must be drawn between this privately held consideration of a commander for his men and the existence of announced inflexible policies which in effect become an irrevocable pledge from the commander to his men that jeopardizes his bringing his full available strength against the enemy when and where he has the vital need to do so.

A dangerous corollary has grown up as a result of what I have just discussed. That is that the completion of one operational tour means that combat crews will not subsequently be sent back to an active theater of war. Some men are coming home with that idea, and some of the trainees and replacement crews ready to go for their first time have already picked it up. It is again beyond reason that a trained fighting man, seasoned, rested, and able, should be consigned to a permanent homeland job because he has once already been in combat. This wrong impression must be unmistakably corrected. Experienced combat personnel are a vital asset in winning this war, and they have got to be used as needs dictate.

In spite of what I have said and my insistence that arbitrary local policies be rescinded for the reasons I have given, I view the future replacement situation with optimism. It is apparent that if we continue to concentrate in our present drive to crush Germany, the victory will mean the release of vast resources in aircraft and combat crews for employment against Japan and will provide throughout the remainder of the war a flow of replacements wholly adequate to all needs.

I fully appreciate that I have thrown a lot at you in this letter, and I do it with the realization that this radical change in personnel policy will present difficult problems, particularly insofar as morale is concerned. It will be a challenge to and a very great test of personal leadership all the way down the line. I deeply and sincerely feel that the impression of "_____ missions and quit" has been spread through the Air Forces to such an extent as to make this change necessary for the good of the entire Army Air Forces. I have absolute faith also in the intelligence and good, hard, common sense of the American fighting man in understanding the necessity for the change and accepting it. I know I can count on you.

With my high personal regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Major General Lewis H. Brereton
A.P.O. 696, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Brereton:

A situation has arisen with respect to return to the United States of combat crew personnel which required immediate action in all combat theaters. I am calling upon every Army Air Forces theater commander to give his most careful and immediate attention to the question. I have considered the policies adopted by our Navy and by the Royal Air Force, and have studied the various possibilities in detail.

As you know, we originally based our plans on the assumption that losses in combat would not exceed 15% loss in combat crews per month. However, with the exception of heavy bombers in the United Kingdom, our losses have actually been far less than this figure. This has permitted us to increase the total number of airplanes per squadron and in some instances to increase the number of squadrons per group. We also planned to include the provision of dual crews and the maintenance of a substantial reserve of combat personnel, all of these to be provided for by means of the anticipated savings in attrition.

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If you have made any policies or understandings that combat personnel will be returned to the United States after fulfilling such arbitrary conditions as I have just described, those policies will be rescinded at once.

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With my high personal regards and best wishes.

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Lieutenant General Carl Spaatz
Commanding General
U. S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe
APO 633, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Tooey:

Inclosed for your information are copies of personal letters which I am sending today to Doolittle and Twining.

You will appreciate from this correspondence the reasons which have compelled me to make a change in personnel policy regarding combat crews. I fully realise the difficult morale problem which will be created, but I know that I can count on all of you to put it over.

Your proposal to rotate crews from the Fifteenth to the Eighth Air Force will go a long way towards alleviating the difficult morale problem created by these letters, and we hearily endorse such proposed rotation.

With high personal regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

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General, U. S. Army
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Lieutenant General Ira C. Eaker
Commander-in-Chief
Mediterranean Allied Air Forces
APO 650, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Ira:

Inclosed for your information are copies of personal letters which I am sending today to Cannon and Twining.

You will appreciate from this correspondence the reasons which have compelled me to make a change in personnel policy regarding combat crews. I fully realize the difficult morale problem which will be created, but I know that I can count on all of you to put it over.

Spaatz's proposal to rotate crews from the Fifteenth to the Eighth Air Force will go a long way towards alleviating the difficult morale problem created by these letters, and we heartily endorse such proposed rotation.

With high personal regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

H. H. ARNOLD
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Lieutenant General George E. Stratemeyer
Commanding General
U. S. Air Forces, China-Burma-India
Apo 685, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Strat;

Inclosed for your information are copies of personal letters which I am sending today to Chennault and Davidson.

You will appreciate from this correspondence the reasons which have compelled me to make a change in personnel policy regarding combat crews. I fully realize the difficult morale problem which will be created, but I know that I can count on all of you to put it over.

With high personal regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Major General Nathan Twining
A.P.O. 520, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Nate:

A situation has arisen with respect to return to the United States of combat crew personnel which requires immediate action in all combat theaters. I am calling upon every Army Air Forces theater commander to give his most careful and immediate attention to the question. I have considered the policies adopted by our Navy and by the Royal Air Force, and have studied the various possibilities in detail.

As you know, we originally based our plans on the assumption that losses in combat would not exceed 15% less in combat crews per month. However, with the exception of heavy bombers in the United Kingdom, our losses have actually been far less than this figure. This has permitted us to increase the total number of airplanes per squadron and in some instances to increase the number of squadrons per group. We also planned to include the provision of dual crews and the maintenance of a substantial reserve of combat personnel, all of these to be provided for by means of the anticipated savings in attrition.

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If you have made any policies or understandings that combat personnel will be returned to the United States after fulfilling such arbitrary conditions as I have just described, those policies will be rescinded at once. Our combat personnel must understand that we plan to use combat crews in accord with war demands. Policies covering relief for combat crews must be an overall Army Air Forces matter, based on all war zones upon the importance of our operations and human considerations. Such relief has to be a flexible proposition, for our leaders to determine, based on the time, and place, and means available, and the conditions of the individual himself, and above all on th waging and winning of this war.

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In spite of what I have said and my insistence that arbitrary local policies be rescinded for the reasons I have given, I view the future replacement situation with optimism. We are now set up to provide your air force at the earliest possible date two replacement heavy bombardment crews with each replacement heavy bombardment airplane, although in some cases this may not be accomplished for several months. It is apparent that if we continue to concentrate in our present drive to crush Germany, the victory will mean the release of vast resources in aircraft and combat crews for employment against Japan and will provide throughout the remainder of the war a flow of replacements wholly adequate to all needs.

I fully appreciate that I have thrown a lot at you in this letter, and I do it with the realisation that this radical change in personnel policy will present difficult problems, particularly insofar as morale is concerned. It will be a challenge to and a very great test of personal leadership all the way down the line. I deeply and sincerely feel that the impression of "__missions and quit" has been spread through the Air Forces to such an extent as to make this change necessary for the good of the entire Army Air Forces. I have absolute faith also in the intelligence and good, hard, common sense of the American fighting men in understanding the necessity for the change and accepting it. I know I can count on you.

With my high personal regards and best wishes.

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Major General Claire L. Chennault
A.P.O. 627, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Chennault:

A situation has arisen with respect to return to the United States of combat crew personnel which requires immediate action in all combat theaters. I am calling upon every Army Air Forces theater commander to give his most careful and immediate attention to the question. I have considered the policies adopted by our Navy and by the Royal Air Force, and have studied the various possibilities in detail.

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If you have made any policies or understandings that combat personnel will be returned to the United States after fulfilling such arbitrary conditions as I have just described, those policies will be rescinded at once. Our combat personnel must understand that we plan to use combat crews in accord with war demands. Policies covering relief for combat crews

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You, as an Air Force Commander, must always have the authority to relieve your combat crews on any basis you may see fit to the extent that replacements and means are available to you. But a sharp distinction must be drawn between this privately held consideration of a commander for his men and the existence of announced inflexible policies which in effect become an irretractable pledge from the commander to his men that jeopardizes his bringing his full available strength against the enemy when and where he has the vital need to do so.

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Major General H. R. Harmon
A.P.O., 719, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

Dear Harmon:

A situation has arisen with respect to return to the United States of combat crew personnel which requires immediate action in all combat theaters. I am calling upon every Army Air Forces theater commander to give his most careful and immediate attention to the question. I have considered the policies adopted by our Navy and by the Royal Air Force, and have studied the various possibilities in detail.

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Major General Howard C. Davidson
A.P.O. 465, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Davidson:

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Major General Davenport Johnson
A.P.O. 980 c/o Postmaster
Seattle, Washington

Dear Johnny:

A situation has arisen with respect to return to the United States of combat crew personnel which requires immediate action in all combat theaters. I am calling upon every Army Air Forces theater commander to give his most careful and immediate attention to the question. I have considered the policies adopted by our Navy and by the Royal Air Force, and have studied the various possibilities in detail.

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If you have made any policies or understandings that combat personnel will be returned to the United States after fulfilling such arbitrary conditions as I have just described, those policies will be rescinded at once. Our combat personnel must understand that we plan to use combat crews in accord with war demands. Policies covering relief for combat crews must be an overall Army Air Forces matter, based in all war zones upon the importance of our operations and human considerations. Such relief has to be a flexible proposition, for our leaders to determine, based on the time, and place, and means available, and the condition of the individual himself, and above all on

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I fully appreciate that I have thrown a lot at you in this letter, and I do it with the realization that this radical change in personnel policy will present difficult problems, particularly insofar as morale is concerned. It will be a challenge to and a very great test of personal leadership all the way down the line. I deeply and sincerely feel that the impression of "_____ missions and quit" has been spread through the Air Forces to such an extent as to make this change necessary for the good of the entire Army Air Forces. I have absolute faith also in the intelligence and good, hard, common sense of the American fighting men in understanding the necessity for the change and accepting it. I know I can count on you.

With my high personal regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

H. H. ARNOLD
General, U. S. Army
Commanding General, Army Air Forces

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Major General Lewis H. Brereton
A.P.O. 696, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Brereton:

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Lieutenant General Ira C. Eaker
Commander-in-Chief
Mediterranean Allied Air Forces
APO 650, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Ira:

Inclosed for your information are copies of personal letters which I am sending today to Cannon and Twining.

You will appreciate from this correspondence the reasons which have compelled me to make a change in personnel policy regarding combat crews. I fully realize the difficult morale problem which will be created, but I know that I can count on all of you to put it over.

Spaatz's proposal to rotate crews from the Fifteenth to the Eighth Air Force will go a long way towards alleviating the difficult morale problem created by these letters, and we heartily endorse such proposed rotation.

With high personal regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

H. H. ARNOLD
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Lieutenant General Carl Spaatz
Commanding General
U. S. Strategic Air Forces in Europe
APO 633, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Tooey:

Inclosed for your information are copies of personal letters which I am sending today to Doolittle and Twining.

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Lieutenant General George E. Stratemeyer
Commanding General
U. S. Air Forces, China-Burma-India
Apo 885, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

Dear Strat:

Inclosed for your information are copies of personal letters which I am sending today to Chennault and Davidson.

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Sincerely,

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Major General James H. Doolittle
APO 633, c/o Postmaster
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Doolittle:

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In spite of what I have said and my insistence that arbitrary local policies be rescinded for the reasons I have given, I view the future replacement situation with optimism. We are now set up to provide your air force at the earliest possible date two replacement heavy bombardment crews with each replacement heavy bombardment airplane, although in some cases this may not be accomplished for several months. It is apparant that if we continue to concentrate in our present drive to crush Germany, the victory will mean the release of vast resources in aircraft and combat crews for employment against Japan and will provide throughout the remainder of the war a flow of replacements wholly adequate to all needs.

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Major General Willis H. Hale
A.P.O. 953, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

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Brigadier General Ralph H. Wooten
A. P. O. 825,c/o Postmaster
New Orleans, Louisiana

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Lieutenant General George C. Kenney
A.P.O. 925, c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

Dear George:

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Major General Claire L. Chennault
A.P.O. 627, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

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A.P.O. 520, c/o Postmaster
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

Subject: Redesignation and Reorganization of Certain QM Boat Avn Crews and Rescue Boat Crews (Avn)

The Secretary of War directs:

I. That, at the earliest practicable date, the following units will be redesignated and reorganized in accordance with Table of Organization and Equipment 1-989 dated 18 December 1943, by the Theater Commanders concerned:

Present Designation	New Designation	Assigned to:
1526th QM Boat Crew, Avn (Class III)	1st AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force
1529th QM Boat Crew, Avn (Class II)	2nd AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type I	Air Transport Command
1536th QM Rescue Boat Crew, (Avn)	3rd AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type I	Air Transport Command
1537th QM Rescue Boat Crew, (Avn)	4th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type I	Air Transport Command
1538th QM Boat Crew, Avn (Class IV)	5th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type V	Twelfth Air Force
1542nd QM Rescue Boat Crew (Avn)	6th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type I	Air Transport ~~Force~~ Command
1543rd QM Rescue Boat Crew (Avn)	7th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type I	Air Transport ~~Force~~ Command
1544th QM Boat Crew, Avn (Class IV)	8th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type V	Twelfth Air Force
1545th QM Boat Crew, Avn (Class IV)	9th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type V	Twelfth Air Force
1546th QM Boat Crew, Avn (Class IV)	10th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type V	Twelfth Air Force

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1547th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class IV)	11th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type V	Twelfth Air Force
1548th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class IV)	12th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type V	Twelfth Air Force
1549th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class II)	13th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type I	Thirteenth Air Force
1550th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class II)	14th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type I	Thirteenth Air Force
1551st QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class II)	15th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type I	Thirteenth Air Force
1552nd QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class II)	16th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type I	Air Transport Command
1560th Emergency Rescue Boat Crew (Type III)	17th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force
1561st Emergency Rescue Boat Crew (Type III)	18th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force
1562nd Emergency Rescue Boat Crew (Type III)	19th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force
1564th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class III)	20th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Air Transport Command
1565th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class III)	21st AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Air Transport Command
1566th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class III)	22nd AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	MATOUSA
1567th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class III)	23rd AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	MATOUSA
1568th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class III)	24th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force
1569th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class III)	25th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force
1570th QM Boat Crew,Avn (Class III)	26th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force

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1571st QM Boat Crew, Avn (Class III)	27th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force
1572nd QM Boat Crew, Avn (Class III)	28th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force
1573rd QM Boat Crew, Avn (Class III)	29th AAF Emergency Rescue Boat Crew, Type III	Thirteenth Air Force

1. Officer and enlisted grades are authorized accordingly.

2. Personnel will be furnished from sources available to the Theater Commander with replacements requisitioned in the normal manner and that which is rendered surplus will be absorbed in other units under his control.

3. Equipment will be supplied to the fullest extent practicable from Theater stocks in accordance with T/O & E 1-27, 9 [illegible] ACM 18-22 Dec 43, with shortages requisitioned in the usual manner. Equipment belonging to surplus personnel will be absorbed in theater stocks.

3. The date of redesignation and reorganization will be reported to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces and The Adjutant General, without delay.

II. That the following be notified of this action:
Commanding General, MATOUSA
Commanding General, South Pacific Area
Commanding General, Thirteenth Air Force
Commanding General, Twelfth Air Force
Commanding General, Air Transport Command
Commanding General, Air Service Command
Commanding General, Army Service Forces
The Quartermaster General
Chief of Ordnance
Corps of Engineers
Chief of Transportation Corps
Chief, Tank Automotive Center, Detroit, Michigan
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For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

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H. H. HEWITT
Lt. Colonel, A.G.D.
Assistant Air Adjutant General.

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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD: This action is in accordance with R&R from ACAS, OCAS, Requirements, Emergency Rescue Branch, dated 3 February 1944, subject: "Transfer, Reorganization, Redesignation and/or Disbandment of Quartermaster Boat (Avn) Crews". Action is necessary to provide proper designation and T/O for these overseas units.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY AIR FORCES
WASHINGTON

13 February 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR DEPUTY CHIEF OF AIR STAFF (GENERAL VANDENBERG)

Subject: Possible Further Reductions in AAF Personnel

1. In an unofficial conference held in General Bradford's office (WD Manpower Board) with Col. Hickman, WD General Staff, G-3, and Col. Brugge, Troop Basis Division, AAF, in attendance, the increase of 29,000 civilians to the AAF was discussed. Gen. Bradford indicated that this increase would not be approved at this time, but that the AAF could ask for additional civilians as the requirement existed. General Bradford stated that it was the opinion of the WD Manpower Board that excess of both military and civilian personnel existed in the Air Service Command which would offset the requirement of the 29,000 civilian increase requested.

2 This matter was discussed with General Gates and Col. Guyler of Management Control who are taking further action on it.

3. It appears to the office that any cuts in the Air Service Command should be made by this Hqs., based on our own investigation. If the WD Manpower Board does the investigating, we are quite likely to lose some 20,000 people and, in addition, lose the 29,000 civilians we have asked for.

4. It would also appear desirable to investigate the manpower situation in the ATC before the WD Manpower Board does it for us.

5. The above information was given to Gen. Giles informally this date at the Sunday morning staff meeting. He directed that Gen. Gates and Col. Brugge see him about the matter Monday morning, 14 February.

6. Suggest, however, that you go over the problem with Gen. Gates and Col. Brugge before they see Gen. Giles.

WILLIAM F. McKEE
Colonel, A. C.,
Deputy Asst. Chief of Air Staff,
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11 February 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF:

Subject: Overseas Strength Information

1. In accordance with an oral request received from Lt. Colonel F. G. Brigham of your office on 10 February 1944, the following information is submitted:

a. North Africa (12th and 15th Air Forces)

(1) Total AAF Personnel as of 31 Dec 43.	137,054
(2) Percent of (1) in combat crews	11.3
(3) Percent of (1) in ground echelons of combat groups	30.3
(4) Percent of (1) in service organizations, headquarters organizations, etc.	30.3
(5) Percent of (1) in AAFWAAF organizations assigned to AAF.	28.1

b. All Overseas Theaters, Base and Defense Commands

(1) Total AAF Personnel as of 31 Dec 43. . . .	727,523
(2) Percent of (1) in combat crews	8.8
(3) Percent of (1) in ground echelons of combat groups	28.9
(4) Percent of (1) in service organizations, headquarters organizations, etc.	32.8
(5) Percent of (1) in AAFWAAF organizations assigned to AAF.	29.5

2. Strength information shown above includes all Air Corps and AAFWAAF personnel assigned to the AAF who were in or en route to North Africa and to all overseas theaters, base and defense commands as of 31 December 1943. Personnel assigned to continental activities or at ports of embarkation have not been included. Data shown beneath item b above includes strength figures for North Africa and overseas Air Transport Command Wings.

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3. Information concerning the distribution by GCT classification of personnel in combat crews, ground echelons, service organizations, etc., in overseas theaters is included in individual records maintained by The Adjutant General. Also, the number of personnel transferred to the AAF from the Army Ground Forces is not available without conducting a special study.

4. Personnel who are currently being assigned to technical and flying training courses are not being selected on the basis of GCT scores. In the case of the relatively small number of men being assigned to technical schools for training, the basis for selection is generally a minimum GCT score of 80 plus an indicated aptitude for the type of training. Personnel assigned to flying training courses are subjected to a series of adaptability tests which determine their aptitude for this type of training. The one exception to this procedure is the Volunteer for Flying Training who must have a minimum GCT score of 100 to qualify for further examination.

For the Commanding General, Army Air Forces:

BYRON E. GATES
Brigadier General, United States Army
Chief, Management Control

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Advantages and Disadvantages of Integration of AA with the Air Forces

Special Assistant for Anti-Aircraft Artillery 14 Feb 1944

Chief of the Air Staff 1

1. General Arnold wants a brief prepared for him showing the advantages and the disadvantages of transferring the Anti-Aircraft Artillery to the Army Air Forces. This brief should take into consideration the many maintenance problems in theaters where the Anti-Aircraft is assigned to the Air Force or under the operational control of the Air Force.

2. This brief must stick to the facts, advantages and disadvantages being impartially set forth. The AC/AS OC&R, Fighter and Air Defense Branch has been directed to assist you in preparing this brief.

3. Submit to me by 5 p.m., Tuesday, 15 February.

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BARNEY M. GILES,
Major General, U. S. A.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL, ARMY AIR FORCES:

Subject: Advantages and Disadvantages of Transferring the Antiaircraft Artillery to the Army Air Forces.

I. ADVANTAGES

1. Centralizes responsibility for planning and conducting air defense, which is now divided, and insures unity of effort, which does not now exist.

2. Gives the commander responsible for warfare in the air control of the organization, training, and operation of all units used directly in such warfare.

3. From the standpoint of tactical and technical development, insures the future evolution of antiaircraft and Air Forces means as parts of a team and eliminates existing duplication of effort. Any development of antiaircraft material must be keyed closely to flying developments; and, conversely, flying attack must be worked out in terms of the antiaircraft obstacles to be overcome.

4. Effectively resolves the present awkward maintenance and supply situations confronting antiaircraft artillery units controlled tactically by Air Forces commanders and administratively by Ground Forces commanders.

5. The Air Forces will obtain at one stroke a large complement of trained Regular Army officers, many of them West Point graduates, to increase the limited regular officer complement of the Air Forces.

II. DISADVANTAGES

1. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces, assumes responsibility for a larger and more complex organization.

2. Requires the solution of problems affecting personnel, supply, and administration, none of which have been considered of major importance in War Department studies on the subject.

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3. Antiaircraft officers transferred to the Air Forces are, under present laws, ineligible to command combined air-antiaircraft operations. In practice, such officers do not now command combined operations of any type. This problem would ultimately require a solution by the Air Forces.

4. Demands of ground commanders for antiaircraft protection will result in a jurisdictional dispute similar to that affecting reconnaissance aviation, and one requiring a comparable solution.

III. SUMMARY

It might be said that the same advantages and disadvantages accrue in placing antiaircraft and Air Forces under one command, for purposes of aerial warfare, as would accrue in placing Ground, Naval, and Air Forces under one command for purposes of waging all phases of modern war.

H. R. OLDFIELD
Major General, U. S. Army
Special Asst for Antiaircraft

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SUBJECT: Augmented VHB Program

TO: AC/AS, Personnel
AC/AS, Training
~~FROM~~: AC/AS, OC&R
✓ AC/AS, MM&D

FROM: Chief of Air Staff

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January, February, March and April 1945, respectively.

(d) AC/AS, MM&D will take necessary action to insure that the production schedule of B-29 and B-32 aircraft upon which this program has been based and which is set forth in Inclosures 4 and 5 is met.

(e) AC/AS, OC&R will allocate aircraft for this program in accordance with Inclosures 4 and 5.

5 Incls.
Incl 1 - AAF Program - Unit Req. for Add B/VH Gps (16 Comb & 5 OTU/RTU Gps) Activation Schedule
Incl 2 - Memo for CAS, dtd 18 Jan '44 "Augmented VHB Program (16 Comb gps) Memo for AC/AS, Training, dtd 20 Jan '44, "Reduction of Personnel"
Incl 3 - Second AF Plan for Developing the Very Heavy Bombardment Program
Incl 4 - Summary of Aircraft Allocations to Implement Aug. B-29 Bomb Program
Incl 5 - Summary of Aircraft Allocations to Implement Aug. B-32 Bomb Program

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TO: Chief of Air Staff

Date: 15 Feb. 1944

FROM: ACAS/MM&D

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SUBJECT: Augmented VHB Program

TO: AC/AS, Personnel
AC/AS, Training
~~FROM:~~ AC/AS, OC&R
AC/AS, M&SD

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Attached papers forwarded for signature and disposition.

Incl:
R&R to Personnel, Training, OC&R & M&D frm AFCAS, abv subj w/5 incls.

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VHB Project Office

WILLIAM F. McKEE
Colonel, Air Corps
Deputy Asst. Chief of Air Staff
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5 Incls. (not incl. with copy sent this office)
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1. Noted and necessary action initiated.

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